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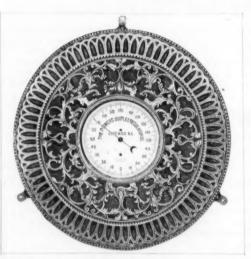
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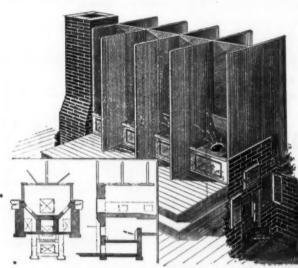
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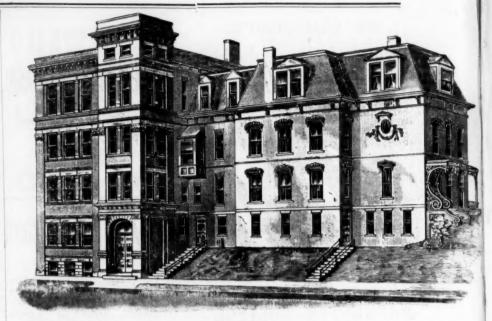
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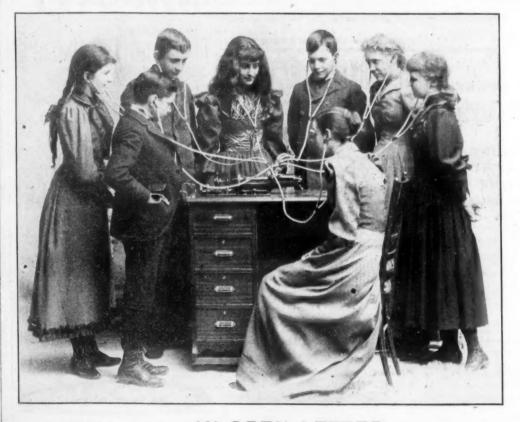
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Address by Chas. E. Gorton, before the National Educational Convention.

(Continued from last issue.)

The nomination of teachers by superintendents and principals of cities and villages leads in the same direction. A school board is no more qualified to select teachers than I am to appoint a candidate to teach Presbyterian theology in the place of Dr. Smith or Dr. Briggs. Yet, I say that teachers should be appointed by the board. It should pass final judgment on the cases brought before it, and should bear the responsibility.

Beyond the utter lack of professional fitness to discriminate between competence and incompetence, lies the fact that if teachers are selected by the board, favoriteism, political and personal influence, and even trading one appointment for another will be certain to enter. I assume that the superintendent or other professional officer who nominates teachers will stand like a rock in the path of the incompetent who are always pressing forward to enter.

Everyone who is turned back becomes, in a measure, his enemy, and sooner or later may accomplish his overthrow, but if appointments are made by the board on his nomination his position is much less perlious. He should also be protected by rules strictly defining the minimum qualifications of candidates whom he may recommend. Permit me to read from a rule in force in my own city: "No person shall be employed as a teacher in any of the public schools who is not a Normal school graduate, or, if not, has had experience in teach-

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Hon. FREDERIC GOWING, State Superintendent, Concord, N. H.

port from the board of education. Boards of education ought to lengthen the terms of employment of their teachers. Why should a superintendent of schools be elected for a year or for two years? He ought to be elected either at the pleasure of the board, or for a long term. It has been found consistent with the best theories of government to choose judges for long terms of office.

I cannot enter upon a discussion of the theories and doctrines which underlie the selection of the judiciary, and simply say that the reasons which point to the advisibility of long terms for judges, apply with equal force to the election of school superintendents and principals. In practice, superintendents elected at the pleasure of the board, unless unfit for their positions, hold office for long periods, as the question of their election is not periodically brought forward by a rule or law.

To put an efficient superintendent on trial once in two years, to place him where he must meet the schemes of intriguers for his position, to make him fight for his place, when, perhaps, the strongest argument against him is that he is too inflexible in dealing with incompetent teachers, too exacting, too honest, too good, is a disgrace to the powers that determine the period of his election.

There are a few cities where the following statement does not apply, but teachers are appointed annually almost universally. Why should this be so? Every corps of teachers contains many members of long experience and approved worth, and

yet once each year they are worried and excited by the question of re-appointment.

I do not believe there is any other class of professional workers outside of the Methodist church who are subjected to the same indignity. A large proportion of the teachers should hold their positions by permanent engagement, subject, of course, to removal for cause.

Teachers possessed of high, intellectual and scholastic attainments, should be eligible for appointment to this select body after some years of meritorious service. Its honors would be distinctive, and there would arise the highest emulation to gain its ranks.

Fixed salaries for grades ought to be abolished. A brilliant teacher in a primary grade should be paid as high a salary there as she would receive for the same quality of work elsewhere, and fine work anywhere should be suitably recognized.

In a word, salaries should be based on merit, and the humdrum teacher who never reads anything and never goes elsewhere, ought not to receive the same salary as the progressive, earnest worker, who is alive to the best educational movements and thoughts of the day.

The board should not only leave the selection of teachers to professional discrimination, but there are also many other subjects which are better for a large measure of letting alone.

The board as a rule, has no competency to adopt text books, prepare a course of study, direct the organization of schools, dictate methods of instruction, plan new school houses or remodel old ones. These are all matters demanding expert knowledge and experience, and should be passed on by the board only on the advice and recommendation of the superintendent.

The board should have such confidential relations with him that it should know his innermost thoughts on all matters relating to the welfare of the schools, and be prepared to advise concerning his measures, as well as to support them. In planning school buildings, with their special requirements of space, light, heating, ventilation, and general sanitation and convenience, the average architect is no more competent than the board.

The superintendent should possess the necessary knowledge and should be allowed to use it. Commissioner Harris says, "The construction of school buildings requires at every step the advice of an expert in educational methods." I am not speaking of the few cities which have distinct departments of buildings, but of the great number of city and village districts where the board must pass on every case of building improvement.

The board should be its own financial agent and should regulate its expenditures. It ought not to expect anybody else to incur that responsibility. If properly constituted it will exercise judicious economy, realizing, however, that its first and highest duty is to make its schools the best possible, with the means under its control.

There is an occasional board willing to forego all else if it can publish an annual report showing that it is conducting a singularly cheap system of schools. It may be thought that the suggestions of this paper lead towards diminishing the powers

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COURT DECISIONS FOR AND AGAINST BOARDS OF EDU-CATION.

Detroit, Mich.—Judge Gartner stated relative to the solemn agreement made by the members of the board of education as to how they should vote on the heating and ventilating question, that such an agreement is not only contrary to public policy, but in any legislative body it would furnish ample grounds for impeachment.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The law requiring township trustees to return certain state school money remaining unexpended at the close of a school year, for re-distribution, was declared constitutional by the supreme court.

The school directors of St. Francisville, Lawrence county, Illinois, have been sued for \$2,000 damages for suspending from school attendance, children who refused to comply with the order of the state board of health requiring vaccination. The Attorney-General's opinion in this case is that no court will be found who will punish an officer for trying to do his duty.

Stevens Point, Wis.—City Attorney Stumpf submitted a written opinion setting forth that the law does not give the school board any authority to loan its funds, or declaring where they shall be deposited, being different in this respect from a municipality, county or state.

J. C. Trainer, superintendent of schools in Sioux County, Ia., decided that for school purposes and privileges, the residence of the child shall determine its rights, not the residence of its parents.

Chicago.—Miss Mary Elizabeth Farson was excused by Justice Burke from sitting as a juror on the statutory ground that a school teacher in active work is ineligible for jury service.

Butte City, Mont.—The county attorney stated that the school district was liable for special taxes and penalties on its property, and would have to pay up.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—The city attorney and the committee on buildings reported that it was in opposition to the spirit of the school law to lease school buildings or to donate the use of school buildings for Sunday Schools or religious meetings.

Detroit, Mich.—One of the city's legal officers stated that the relation existing between the board of education and the pupils of the public schools is not such a relation as places upon the board the obligation to insure the safe keeping of their clothing and other property. If the board furnishes ordinary facilities for the caring of clothing and reasonably safe places for its protection, the duty of the board is ended. It is not the same relation as exists between the hotel keeper and his guests. Pupils pay no tuition and there is no contract relation between the board and the scholars. What would be a reasonable protection for property is a question to be decided by a jury, if a suit were brought.

Attorney Dryer; of the Indianapolis board of education gave it as his decided opinion that the elections in districts where there had been resignations were simply for the unexpired term of the predecessor.

Indianapolis, Ind.—State Superintendent Vories has rendered an important decision to the effect that devotional exercises cannot be enforced in the public schools of the state. According to the pro-

visions of the constitution, the superintendent says, the only thing the legislature intended to authorize school authorities to do was to place the Bible in the schools and leave the use of it to the judgment of the teacher. A rule requiring devotional exercises might interfere with the rights of conscience either of the teachers, some of the pupils, or parents, and is not warranted.

San Diego, Cal.—In the case of the board of education against W. J. Mossholder, a member of the board who accepted fees from it, the district attorney says: "In the opinion of this office, the board of education has no power to exercise judicial functions in investigating charges against Mr. Mossholder, or in the matter of removing him from office, or declaring a forfeiture of his office, nor can the board declare his seat vacant. The jurisdiction in the premises being in the superior court alone."

Detroit, Mich.—The supreme court, in the case of Mayor Pingree, and the board of education, reversed the decision of the circuit court, which sustained a demurrer, interposed by the board and directed the mayor to review certain acts of the board and either approve or reject them.

A GOOD PLATFORM.

The committee on teachers and schools of the Stockton, Cal., board of education, consisting of E. W. S. Woods, George C. Turner and A. R. Bogue, submitted the following report, which was adopted unanimously:

In recommending teachers for the ensuing school year, your committee has fully realized the responsibility thereto attached. While the claims of teachers heretofore employed deserve consideration, your committee has not lost sight of the fact that the schools are established for the pupils, and that it is the imperative duty of this board to select and retain those teachers who, from character, ability, training and natural fitness for teaching, are best qualified to upbuild the characters and train the minds of those placed in their care.

Your committee submits that this board, in employing new teachers and retaining old ones, should be guided by the following principles more than by the well-meant but misguided efforts of kindly people whose sympathies are generally with the one unfortunate teacher rather than with the fifty even more unfortunate children:

First—The work of a teacher of any grade requires an education at least as broad as that secured by the three-years' course in the High school.

Second—The work of a teacher of any grade requires of all beginners a course of professional instruction and training such as may be secured by a full course in some Normal school or in the Pedagogical department of our state University.

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Third—The work of a teacher in any grade requires a reasonable amount of professional study each year in order that the schools may be kept in touch with modern educational thought. In this connection your committee desires to commend the line of professional study carried on by the principals and teachers of the department during the past year. The effect of the work done is plainly to be seen in the improved methods of teaching now in vogue in the Stockton schools.

Fourth—The work of a teacher of any grade requires a reasonable degree of present success in both teaching and governing, and the health, strength, ability and inclination for constant improvement.

Fifth—The work of a teacher of any grade requires a thorough knowledge of child life, a sympathy with children, tact in management, an even, kindly disposition and an earnest effort to bring the school into close and helpful relations with the home.

Sixth—The work of a teacher of any grade requires a moral character above reproach and a social training, as shown in personal manners, habits and dress, that at least will not present a bad example before children.

The Alameda, Cal. school directors have decided to hold graduating exercises twice a year, in May and December.



PROF. JAS. A. DIFFENBAUGH

Prof. Diffenbaugh, secretary and treasurer of the Carroll Co., Md., board of school commissioner and examiner of the public schools, has resigned in order to accept the position of special deputy collector of customs at Baltimore.

With the departure of Mr. Diffenbaugh, the educational field of Maryland loses one of its strongest men. The wisdom which has always characterized his work, has made him an ideal school official.

MODERN SCHOOL BOARDS.

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of the board. I have sought only to define what seem the duties and limitations, which if strictly recognized would argument their influence.

In one respect at least the board occupies higher ground than we. It is in closer touch with the people and is better fitted to judge how educational results meet the wants of our complex modern society. Hence it follows that the inadequacy of old methods has been made apparent by those who are not of our profession. Although, perhaps, so much may not be said of the æsthetic, artistic and moral phases, some of the most vital reforms in the practical curriculum, which ought to prepare for citizenship, have been inaugurated by boards of education.

Taken all in all the board is the teacher's best friend, and fills the most honorable position in the great onward movement of educational thoughts and action.

In organizing the new board of education at Chicago, lots were drawn for seats. On motion three seats were reserved, one for Mr. Brennan the oldest member, Mrs. Sherman the only lady member, and for D. R. Cameron, the vice president.

According to a resolution introduced by the Milwaukee common council, the schools are to be supplied with water filters not to exceed \$20 each. The step has the endorsement of the board of health.



Her Ideas of Honors.

Superintendent's wife:—Katrina, remember that the president of the school board will dine with us. We must give him special attention.

Servant:—Yes, dat's why I lay by der bresident's soup plate der biggest spoon in der kitchen.

A SCHOOL BOARD SENSATION.

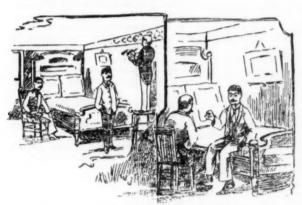
THE MEETING OF THE DETROIT BOARD STARTLED BY FOUR ARRESTS.

One of the most sensational and at the same time dramatic scenes ever enacted at a school board meeting took place at Detroit last month, when school Inspectors Julius C. Lichtenberg, Jas. A. Walsh, Milo H. Davis and W. C. Liphardt were arrested for accepting a bribe of \$25 each from L. E. Acherson, agent for the Manitowoc Seating Co.

Mayor Pingree, who enjoys a veto power of the board's transactions, attended the regular board meeting, and began at once to deliver the following

startling address:

"I arise to announce to you that it is a painful duty which I have to perform; one that will shock the city and state. I have been receiving letters for several months from this and other states, saying that this is the worst board in the state, ves. in the United States. They did not mean that there were no honest members on this board, for there are, but I regret to say that there are also many who are dishonest. It is a terrible thing, a disgrace to the city and to the state that we have members on this board, supposed to be the most honorable board in the city, members who are receiving bribes and soliciting them, and I am sorry that I must say, quite a number will go to jail tonight. Those of you who have been receiving bribes of this kind should rise and tender their resignations before going to jail.



Hotel Rooms: Detective and stenographer watching the bribe takers.

"Gentlemen—and ladies—the law knows no difference, it treats all alike, the rich and the poor, the male and the female. I know no difference here to-night. It is terrible, but several of you must go to jail tonight, and I hope there will be enough left to transact business."

"There is no help for it; you must go to jail to-night. Is it possible that you have not enough respect left for your state, your city and the people who elected you to resign? Haven't you got the manhood left to do it?

"Mr. Davis," fairly shouted the mayor, "I want to ask you if you have not got enough respect for your constituents and associates to admit that you have solicited and received bribes? I am surprised that you can sit there as you do. Disgraced to learn that you, while acting as a member of this honorable body, should do such an awful thing. A man of your attainments, a fine education and a good position in the business world. I beg of you, if you have any respect for yourself or even your family, to resign now."

Davis was game. He looked very hard at the mayor for a few seconds and then answered very coolly:

"I will say, Mr. Mayor, that any one who says that I ever accepted a bribe of any nature is a liar. This is general, Mr. Mayor, and includes you."

"Officer, step forward and arrest that man," called out the mayor.

Officer High started for Davis' desk and had his man in custody, when the gravel on President Clark's desk fell with a whack and High stopped.

"Mr. Davis, take your seat again. Officer, you have no right here. This room belongs to the board of education, and its members cannot be molested during open session. Mr. Mayor, this proceeding is wrong. I call upon our attorney for an opinion." President Clark was indignant as he gazed at the mayor in astonishment. The attorney said the officer had no right in the room, and the latter stepped outside.

"I move we adjourn," came faintly from behind the desk of Mrs. Inspector Fox.

The meeting adjourned and the mayor jumped to his feet.

"You will arrest Mr. Davis," he said.

Davis stepped forward and asked: "Have you a warrant?"

"Oh, yes," answered mayor Pingree, "there are warrants for several of you. I have plenty of proof. I never should have undertaken this if I was not sure of what I was doing."

Davis refused to go without seeing the warrant.

"Mr. Walsh, you are another gentleman of whom I must ask the same thing." Walsh did not resign. "I have a warrant for your arrest; the officer will take care of you."

"Mr. Liphardt, I make the same statement to you and I hope that you have enough respect left for yourself and your friends to resign. I am sorry for the families, for the fathers and mothers and wives and little ones, but it must be done."

"I hope you have some reason for this," replied Liphardt and he stepped toward the door at the very pleasant invitation of Detective Lally. Inspector Lichtenberg seemed to have read his name in the air, for he started for the door.

"Mr. Lichtenberg, don't go away. You are one," said the mayor.

"Oh, I am going all ready, but I won't resign, I'll tell you that," answered the little inspector.

Then the mayor declared that there were others in the room who should get up and tender their resignations as they too were guilty. "I will not go any further to night," said he, "but it is coming. The ladies and gentlemen sent to this board are supposed to set a good example for the children of the city. This is a terrible thing to have go out over the city, the state and the country. I am sorry to say it, but there are others here who are as guilty."

They were locked in jail over night and the bail fixed at \$5,000 next day.

HISTORY OF THE TROUBLE.

The row over the school furniture contract goes back to May 24, when the old committee on janitors and supplies, Messrs. Pitkin, Liphardt, Rathmann, Davis and Finehart, reported at a regular meeting of the board that bids for the annual contract had been received from the following companies: Haney School Furniture company of Grand Rapids, Manitowoc Seating company of Manitowoc, Wis.; United States School Furniture company of Chicago, and the Cleveland School Furniture company. The Manitowoc company's bid was the highest and the United States company's the lowest. The committee recommended a contract with the Cleveland company, which was lost 8 to 8, those voting in favor of the Cleveland desk being Clark, Davis, Finehart, Lichtenberg, Liphardt, Pitkin, Rathmann and Walsh. The whole matter was then referred back to the committee, with instructions to re-advertise.

The annual school furniture contract is made at so much per desk, and as there are several different sizes of desks with different prices for each, and as nobody can tell how many of each kind will be used during the year, it is impossible to say what the contract amounts to in round numbers. If all the new schools now under way are finished this winter, the contract will probably foot up something like \$10,000. From the very first, strong opposition was shown by part of the board to the Cleveland desk, because it was made of veneered wood, and



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as soon as this opposition became recognized the Cleveland company was practically out of the race, their bid receiving no further consideration. The Iron Moulders' union objected to the United States and Manitowoc companies on the ground that they were "scab" shops, and at first supported the Cleveland company, subsequently changing to the Haney company of Grand Rapids. The United States company was also objected to because it belongs to a pool or "trust" of several furniture companies. The Manitowoc formerly belonged to the same trust, but was burned out and reorganized. The new company claim to have severed their connection with the trust.

At a regular meeting held June 14, another batch of bids was read from the following companies: United States Furniture company of Chicago; Piqua School Furniture company, Haney School Furniture, Favorite Desk and Seating company, Manitowoc Seating company, Grand Rapids Seating company, Adjustable School Seat Manufacturing company, Globe Furniture company, Cleveland School Furniture company.

Liphardt and Davis wanted the Haney seat adopted, and Pitkin and Finehart favored the Grand Rapids Seating company. Both reports went on the table until June 28, when a motion to award the contract to the Haney company was lost, 7 to 8. A communication was then read from the United States company offering to ship their patterns to Detroit and have the castings made there in union shops. Dr. Clark moved to give them the contract on this condition, but after a hot debate all bids were rejected and the committee ordered to re-advertise.

The new bids were read at a special meeting, July 20, as follows: Adjustable School Seat company (not considered, as that style of seat is unused here), United States School Furniture company, Haney School Furniture company, Manitowoc Seating company, Cleveland School Furniture company. The Cleveland company's bid was the lowest in general, the Manitowoc was the lowest on small sizes. The United States company's bid was the highest of all, and the Haney's was almost a standoff with the Manitowoc's. Messrs. Rathmann, Lichtenberg, Davis, Liphardt and Walsh, the new committee appointed by President Clark on janitors and supplies, recommended the Haney desk. Mr. Pitkin moved to substitute the Cleveland desk; lost 12 to 3.

Mr. Brewster moved to substitute the United States company's desk; lost, 10 to 5. Mr. Seeley moved to substitute the Manitowoc desk; lost, 8 to 7. The Haney desk was then adopted 10 to 5, and clinched by a reconsideration moved by Mr. Liphardt, followed up with a fresh motion by Mr. Walsh. At a meeting held Aug. 9 the board received a veto from Mayor Pingree, because the Haney company were not the lowest bidders. A motion to pass the Haney seat above the mayor's veto was lost, those voting against the veto, being Davis, Lichtenberg, Liphardt, Parsons, Rathmann and Walsh. Later in the evening, on motion of Mr. Davis, the contract was awarded to the Manitowoc company. There were 14 yeas, 1 nay (Rathmann), and Finehart was excused."

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NEW TEXT BOOK ADOPTIONS.

Chatan oga, Tenn. county board for five years: McGuffey's Revised Speller, McGuffey's Revised Readers, Eclectic Copy Books, Milne's E'ements of Arithmetic, Milne's Standard Books. Milne's E'ements of Arithmetic, Milne's Standard Arithmetic, Long's Language Exercises, Conklin's Grammar, Eclectic Elementary Geography, Eclectic Complete Geography, Pheian's History of Tennessee, Barnes' Brief United States History, The Young People's Song Book, Educational and Industrial Drawing Course, Youth's Companion for Supplementary Reading, McAdoo's Geology of Tennessee, Winslow's Principles of Agriculture, Ray's New Elementary Algebra, Wentworth's Plane Geometry, Steele's Popular Physics, Bryant & Stratton's Common School Bookkeeping, Steele's Hygienic Physiology, Peterman's Civil Government, Lockwood's gienic Physiology, Peterman's Civil Government, Lockwood's

Wells' Algebra, recently adopted by the High Schools of Peoria, Ill., Bloomington, Ia., Whitewater, Wis., Ashland, Wis., Oak Park, Ill., Petoskey, Mich., Ottawa, Ill., Sycamore, Ill.,

Lincoln, Neb. The use of Ray's copy books was referred.

Winnipeg. Manitoba Teachers' Association: teachers, Hill's Lessons in Geometry instead of Euclid Bk. 1; the high school algebra, by Robertson & Birchard, along with the present work. Spalding's Introduction to Botany, instead of Spatton's Botany. For second-class, the high school algebra along with present text. Fyie's Primer of Grecian History,

and Creighton's Primer on Roman history instead of Smith's smaller history of Rome. Also aided Myer's German History. Wells' Geometry, recently adopted by the St. Louis Manual Training School, St. Louis, Mo., Whitewater, Wis., Petoskey, Mich., Pontiac, Ill., Oak Park, Ill., Bradyville, Ia.

Minneapolis, Minn. The committee voted to recommend the purchase of 2,400 Normal Course Music Readers, 800 Reed's Introductory Language Lessons, 600 Cecilian Music Books, 50 sets Laior's Encyclopedia, 20 sets Youth's Cyclopedia, in addition to the 25 sets already in possession of the board. They further advised the adoption of Reed's Introductory Language

Work as a text book for use in the grade schools.

Milwaukee. Wis. Harkness' Easy Latin Method for high school, Mason system of music retained another year.

Weils' Academic Arithmetic, adopted at Sioux City, Ia., Elkhart, Ind., Edmond, O. T., No. Manchester, Ind.

Northfield, Minn. Board inaugurates free text book system and selects the following books: Arithmetic, Elementary, Cook, Cropsey, Normal Course in number, both books; Higher, undecided; probably same series; Geography, Frye: Higher, undecided, perhaps none will be adopted this year; Language, third, fourth, and fifth grades. Southworth & Goddard; fifth and sixth grades, Reed & Kellogg, graded lessons; seventh and eighth grades, Reed & Kellogg, higher lessons; readers, first, second and third grades, Normal, Stickney's, Harpers, Barnes'; United States History, fourth, fifth and sixth grades, Eggles-ton's first lessons; seventh grade, Eggleston's history of the United States; eighth grade, Montgomery's history; Physiology, undecided; writing books, undecided.

Milwaukee. Eggleston's history of the United States in

Corning, Ia., Adams Co. The Modern speller. Stoddard's new intelectual arithmetic, Scudder's short history of the United States, for primary use, Montgomery's history of the United States, for advanced pupils, Tarbell's lessons in lan-guage, books 1 and 2, Lockwood's lessons in English, Went-worth's algebra, Nacey's civil government, Hill M. Bell's authography, McGuffey's reader, Ray's arithmetic, Barnes' geographies, Harvey's grammar, Pathfinder's series of physiologies, Spencerian copy books.

Minneapolis, Minn. American Vertical system of writing (on trial.)

Erie, Pa. Well's National system of Writing, Mason's National Music Course. Balance of books re-adopted.

Denver, Col., 17th Dist. Whiting system of Music in place of

the Normal

Brands' Academic Physiology, adopted by the High Schools of Cairo, Ill., Battle Creek, Mich., Ann Arbor, Mich., Hillsdale, Mich., Smith Academy, St. Louis, Mo., Detroit School for Boys, Detroit, Mich., Battle Creek College, Battle Creek, Mich.,

College of Idaho, Caldwell, Idaho.

Lowell, Mass. Wentworth's First Steps in Algebra

Nashville, Tenn. Prince's arithmetic for first and second

The board of education of Letart township, O., bought a copy of Webster's International Dictionary for each sub-

Barton, Vt. The Orleans county summer school recommended Hinsdale's Teaching History, by D. Appleton & Co., and A Pathfinder in History, Lee & Shepard.

Tuell & Fowler's First Book in Latin, adopted in the High Schools of Wichita, Kas., Sioux City, ia., St. Paul, Minn., Keokuk, Ia., Joliet, Ill., Chippewa Falls, Wis., Duluth, Minn., Oak Park, Ill., La Crosse, Wis., Northfield, Minn., Champaign, Ill., Columbus. O., Fergus Falls, Minn., Pontiac, Ill., New Ulm, Minn., Edmond, O. T., Zumbrota, Minn. Preparatory Departnent of the following Colleges: Carleton College, Northfield, linn, Wabash College, Wabash, Ind., Pomona College, Cal., Lake Forest University, Lake Forest, Ill., State University of Moscow, Idaho, Albion College, Albion. Mich., Battle Creek College, Battle Creek, Mich., Illinois College, Jacksonville, Il, Chicago Manual Training School, Chicago, Detroit School for Boys, Detroit, Mich., Orchard Lake Military Acadamy, Orchard Lake, Mich.

The Superior, Wis., board awarded the contract for school supplies, in bulk, to F. E. Heimick & Co.

an Francisco, American system of Vertical Writing

Chicago. Dean's Science of Utterance, supplementary for fifth, sixth, and seventh grades.

The Tuell & Fowler Latin book has recently been adopted at

St Paul, Duluth, Northfield, Minn., Superior, Wia., Sloux City, Keokuk, Marshalltown, Iowa, Quincy, Champaign, Ill. Warsaw, Ill., Williams' Laboratory of Chemistry.

La Crosse, Wis. Frye's Primary Geography, Reed's Word essens, two copies of Ridpath's History will be placed in every school.

Zanesville, O. Rudiments of Civil Government, by J. F. Laning, published by the Laning Printing Co., Norwalk, O., at 32 cents each.

Sharpsville, O. Pollard Synthetic Method of Reading in lower grades.

State School of Mines, Golden, Colo., adopted Osborne's Calculus, Nichol's Analytic Geometry.

Woodruff's Greek Prose Composition was adopted for the Preparatory Department of Carleton College and High School St. Joseph, Mo.

Columbus, O. Spencerian copybooks, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, in place of Ohio copybooks. Meservey's Single Entry Bookkeeping, (under consideration.)

Zanesville, O. Meservey's Elementary Political Economy, published br Thompson, Brown & Co., Boston.

Quincy, Ill. Normal Review system of Writing

Tiffin, O. Julian Hawthorne's American Literature in place of Shaw's, Williams' Rhetoric in place of Harts, Meiklejohn's Outlines of English Literature.

Mead's New Composition and Rhetoric, adopted at Alpena, Mich., Joliet, Ill., Wabash College, Wabash, Ind., Albion College, Albion Mich.

State University of Idaho adopted Osborne's Calculus, Nichol's Analytic Ceometry, Wells' College Algebra.

Wichita, Kan. Du Bois & Pettingill's Greek, Genung's rhet-oric, and Tuall & Fowler's Latin, to supplant White, Hart and Jones, respectively. Also vertical writing in Principal Pence's

Louisville, Ky. White's Revised Drawing Books, (referred.) athworth's First Lessons in Language, adopted at Rock-Ill., Worthington, Minn., Cairo, Ill., Lansing, Mich. Southworth's First Lessons in Language. New Ulm, Minn.

Newton, Kans. Robinson's Higher Arithmetic, Gage's Elements of Physics, Lowe & Ewing's Casar.

Alexandria, D. C. Webster's Unabridged Dictionary, in

place of Worcester.
Southworth's Essentials of Arithmetic, adopted in Duluth, Minn., Bloomington, Ill., Mankato, Minn., West Superior. Wis. Southworth's Blements of Composition and Grammar, adopted at Rockford, Ill., Mankato, Minn., Owatonna, Minn., New Ulm, Minn., Worthington, Minn., Marcellus, Mich., Hamm Wis., Mt. Sterling, Ill.

Fremont, O. McGuffey's Readers, Revised, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5; Spelling Book, Sheldon's Word Studies; Vaile's Copy Books, 1, 2 and 3, Vertical system: Barnes' Business Forms, 1, 2, 3; Arithmetic, White's Two Book Series; Mental Arithmetic, Stoddard's Intellectual; Grammar, Harvey's Practical; Geographies, Eclectic, Elementary and Complete; Drawing Books, Thompson's; United States History, Eggleston; German Readers, Eclectic, 1, 2, 3, 4; Physiology, Hutchinson; Physical Geography, Houston; Bookkeeping, Meservey; Algebra, Well's Academic; Latin, Harkness' Easy Method for Beginners; Latin Grammar, Harkness; Cæsar, Cicero, and Virgil; any edition; Physics, Avery; Chemistry, Steele; Astronomy, Ray; Science of Government, Young's Gov't, Class Book; English Literature, best writers, Backus; Geometry, 20 copies Well's Revised, at \$1 each, to be purchased by the board; Trigonometry, Well's, to be purchased by board; Political Economy, Chapin; General History, Barnes; German Grammar, Joynes Meissner; German Reader, Joynes Meissner, Lanning, Norwalk, O.; Civics, Rudiments of Civil Gov't. of O., 40 copies to be purchased by the board for use in A and B Grammar grades. Purchase by pupils also recom-

mended, but not required. Salt Lake City, Utah, ordered 300 each of Stickney's Readers, Number 1; New Franklin Readers, Number 1; Harper's Readers, Number 1: Stickney Readers, Number 2: New Frank-In, Number 2; Stickney, Readers, Number 3; New Franklin, Number 3; Geographical Readers, Number 3; New Franklin Readers, Number 4; Geographical Readers, Number 4; Classics, Wentworth's Primary Arithmetic; 25 Sets Pipers Seat Work; Common Sense Arithmetic; Elementary Geography; Hyde's Language, Number 1; Hyde's Language Number 2; Higher Arithmetic; Mental Arithmetic; Eggleston's History; Anderson's History; Seeldon's History; Copy Books; 600 Graphic, Number 1;500 Graphic, Number 2; 400 Graphic, Number 3; 400 Graphic, Number 4: 800 Graphic, Number 5: 400 Graphic, Number 6; 400 Graphic, Number 7; 700 Appleton's Exercise A book; 700 Appleton's Exercise B book; 700 Appleton's Exercise C book; 200 Michael's Number 1; 300 Michael's Numper 2; 600 Michael's Number 3; 200 Michael's Number 4; 1,500 Music Readers, Number 3. High School: Fifty Milne's High School Algebra; 25 Wentworth's Plane and Solid Geometry; 10 Wentworth's Plane Trigonometry; 25 Introduction to Physical Science; 50 Lessons in English; 20 Meikeljohn's English Literature; 25 American Literature; 25 Montgomery's English History; 25 Beginners Latin; 20 Cæsar's Commentaries; 15 Greenough's Complete Virgil; 20 Harkness's Latin Grammar; 25 Dreyspring's German Method; 10 Montonnier's French Lessons; 5 White's Greek Lessons; 5 Goodwin's Greek Grammar.
Paducah, Ky. Milne's High School Algebra, Barnes Gen-

eral History in place of Swinton's, Swinton's Advanced Fourth Reader, Swinton's Primer in place of Eclectic First Reader.

Fort Howard, Wis. Normal Course in Number in place of

Robinson-Fish course. Elmira, N. Y. Steel's Physiology, larger edition in place of

Wichita, Kans. Beginner's book in Greek, by White, to be superceded by Boise & Pettingill's book, Genung's Rhetoric succeed Hart's, and Tuell & Fowler's work succeeds Jones.

Council. Kans. Wentworth's Algebra, in place of Ray's,

hompson's Mental Arithmetic

The Perry township school board met at Shoemakersville

Pa., and adopted Steele's Physiology. Chattanooga county, including the city of Chatanooga, Chattanooga county, including the city of Chatanooga, Tenn., adopted Milne's Arithmetics and Conklin's Grammars for exclusive us

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Springfield, O. Cincinnati Music Reader, Raub's Rhetoric

to be discontinued in hands of pupils.

Lawrence, Kans. Genung's Elements of Rectoric, Myers' General History, Frye's Geography, Macy's Civil Government. Clay Centre, Kans. Eggleston's History for Barnes, Hyde's Second Language Book.

Cranston, R. I. Prang's System of Drawing. Findlay, O. White's System of Drawing in place of Prang's. Rock Island, Ill. Prang's Complete Course in Drawing, sub-

stituted for the shorter course.

Orange, N. J. Appleton's System of Penmanship, Worcester New Academic Dictionary. Laid over under rules Blaisdell's of Physiology.

Galveston, Tex, Dr. Cooper reported principal changes contemplated as follows: 1. Introduce into the fourth grades Sutton & Kimbrough's intermediate arithmetic for work in large numbers in the fundamental operations. 2, Drop steed & Kellogg's higher lessons and begin Whitney & Lockwood's English grammar in the seventh instead of the eighth grade. 3. Introduce concrete geometry in the fifth grade—Hill's Lessons. 4. Drop Hyde's First Book from the high second, beginning its use in the third grade. 5. Introduce English history into the first year of the high school—same book as that used in the recond year. 6. Begin the study of the second foreign language at the beginning of the and year of the high school, instead of at the middle of the r. 7. Introduce into the third or general literary course one foreign language, the pupils in this course all taking Latin in the first year and having the option of continuing Latin or taking up French or German at the opening of the second 8. Substitute Clement's Civil Government for Fiske's year. S. Substitute Clement's Civil Government for Fiske's Civil Government. 9. Substitute Williams' Introduction to Chemical Science and Laboratory Manual for Remsen, 10 Use Chute's Physics instead of Gage. 11. Use Edgren's French grammar instead of Whitney's. 12. Drop primary

history in primary grades. Adopted by board.

Dayton, O. Cohart and Chute's Elements of Physics, Eclectic Physical Geography.

Galesburg, Ill. Young's Astronomy; Gage's Physics (subject to favorable exchange prices).

Springfield, Mass. Union series of Physiology, Sanderson's

History of the World.
Radway, N. J. Biverside Primer and Reader, Meyer's General History, Wentworth's Algebra, Ayer's philosophy

Chicago-Elementary Lessons in A'gebra. St. Louis - Columbian revised arithmetic (re-adopted finally).

VERTICAL WRITING AT CHICAGO.

A neat contest is now being enacted at Chicago among various publishers of vertical writing systems. The board, some time ago, decided that vertical writing should become a fixed factor in the public schools. The kind of system to be used is now to be determined. Among the publishers who are contesting for the adoption are The American Book Co., E. O. Vaile, A. Lovell & Co., Geo. Sherwood & Co., and Silver, Burdett & Co. committee reported in favor of the latter's system. Action deferred.

The Milwaukee school board refused to retire married lady teachers.



A. S. WRIGHT. Sec'y School Board, Ionia, Mich.



Prof. L. W. SHEPPARD. Of Sheppard & Burgett, Columbus, O.

That an educator can interest himself to a certain extent in commercial pursuits without interference with his profession, is demonstrated in the firm of Sheppard & Burgett, of Columbus, O., who make a specialty of fine blank books, report booklets, etc., for public school use.

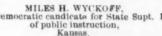
Professor Sheppard is an excellent school master and thoroughly devoted to his calling. His wide experience in school affairs has enabled him also to study the wants of the school system in the more practical affairs.

Well arranged blank books for school officials are

always in demand, and the improvements which have been made from time to time are notable. The beautiful report booklets issued by this firm have gone largely into use and have been found not only satisfactory in every way, but economical also. Fine lithographed and steel plate diplomas are also among their specialties. In addition to these the firm handles general school supplies.

Mr. Howry is a Virginian, having been born in that state in 1861. He has resided in Danville for eight years and was elected a member of the school board in 1890, and was re-elected in 1893. In 1891









Secretary Board of Education, Panville, Pa.

he was chosen secretary, which position he has held

he was chosen secretary, which position he has held continuously ever since.

For this position Mr. Howry is well fitted. Being secretary to the manager, and paymaster of the North Branch Steel Co., of Danville, he is also an expert stenographer. In addition to these special qualifications he makes a good school board member. The live interest he has manifested in educational matters, his progressive ideas in practical school management, have made him a valuable acquisition to his board.

SALARIES PAID TO SUPERINTENDENTS, PRINCIPALS, AND TEACHERS. PER CAPITA COST. (Continued from last issue.)

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NEW SCHOOL HOUSES.

At the beginning of the present year the School Board Journal strongly urged the erection of new school houses. Information had been gathered to the effect that thousands of children were excluded from the public schools of this country for want of proper facilities.

We urged speedy action, as the present year is a specially favorable one. Material and labor are cheap. The science of school house construction has reached the highest state of perfection. The best minds have given the subject of arrangement, lighting, heating and ventilation close attention. Employment could thus be given in stringent times to thousands of men.

Our advice was heeded. Never in the history of this country have more school houses been in the course of construction at any one time than now. There is scarcely a county or a city where new school houses are not being constructed, or liberal additions being made.

This is a gratifying condition of things and will enable thousands of children to enter the public schools who have hitherto been deprived of that privilege.

DISMISSAL OF TEACHERS.

One of the most embarrasing duties of a board of education is the disposition of unsatisfactory teachers. A peremptory dismissal from the service carries with it humiliation and disgrace, which practically bars, temporarily or permanently, the unfortunate teacher from further usefulness in his or her calling. In such cases the school board stands between public duty and public charity. The schools demand efficient services; the clamoring teacher pleads for "another chance."

It may be said to the credit of the average school board that a humane and kindly spirit pervades the hearts of its members. When "another chance" appears feasible it is always given without having lost sight of the duty which the board owes to the school

system under its care. Superintendent Gilbert, of St. Paul, in his annual report, makes some apt points on this subject:

"It is usually better to try to improve the average teacher than to replace her. It is still better to induce the average teacher to improve herself. It is with great pleasure that I am able to state that I have seen poor teachers becoming fair, fair teachers becoming good, and good teachers becoming excellent, through hard, honest effort at self-improvement, encouraged and led by those in authority."

Kindly encouragement and counsel should be employed before harsh measures are resorted to.

THE DETROIT SCANDAL.

The sensational arrest of four members of the Detroit school board during an evening session, formed a dramatic scene, teeming with disgrace and humiliation, such as has never before been witnessed in any educational chamber.

The charges are the most serious that could have been made against the official conduct of any board member. If Mayor Pingree's charges are well founded, he has simply done his duty. If the accused are guilty, as charged, they deserve, and must receive severe punishment. The public demands, and will have, honesty and integrity in official life. Those who betray its confidence and abuse its trusts, must suffer the consequences.

But one word more. Who is responsible for the elevation of irresponsible men into elective school boards? Are not the voters who cast their ballot for an ignorant, obscure, impecunious individual themselves to blame? Is it not safe to assume that a person of this stamp has some mercenary object in view when he aspires to a position requiring a good education and fair business judgment? It is no disgrace to be poor, obscure and uneducated, but it is disgraceful to elevate such a man to a position of trust, requiring a high degree of intelligence. It is a crime against education.

A board of education should be made up of the best citizens of a community and not of "ward heelers" who desire places "for all there is in it."

Detroit's mode of forming a school board is a mistake. It has long been recognized by other cities that a school board created by a popular vote cannot serve the best interests of a school system. The appointive system, whereby the mayor or the judge of the courts becomes responsible, is the only one which has thus far proven satisfactory. Here somebody is responsible for an efficient school board. In an elective system the public is everybody, and everybody is nobody. This may be a harsh way of presenting the matter but experience has taught us the lesson, and her voice speaks loudest.

The re-election of J. A. Haraoun and Wm. Jacobsen to the Luverne, Minn., school board, brought out a brass band and a general rejoicing.

TEXT BOOK NEWS.

Salt Lake City purchased \$3,235 worth of books for ensuing year as per list furnished by the superintendent.

Eau Claire, Wis., is giving the Vertical Writing system attention.

Grand Rapids, Mich., ordered 600 text books on alcohol and narcotics.

Chicago board of education received propositions from D. C. Heath & Co. for furnishing "A Complete Phonographic Instructor," published by Isaac Pitman & Sons.

The American Book Company entered suit against the Werner Company, of Chicago, last March, for an injunction on a work entitled "The Teacher in Literature," published by the Werner Company. The work was first issued in September 1893, but no suit was entered by the complainant until recently. The case was argued on briefs by the Judsons, of New York, and Newman & Northrup, of Chicago, before Judge Grosscup in the United States court. Judge Grosscup decided in favor of the Werner Company and denied the motion for injunction.

The Belleville Township, N. J., board has placed one half its orders for books with Ginn & Co., and the other half with the American Book Co.

Speakman & Orr, book agents, were given the floor, and advocated the adoption of their books in preference to those adopted by the Chester, Pa., Board.

The Syracuse board of education advertised for proposals on the following books: 1,183 Franklin First Reader, 826 Franklin Second Readers, 286 Franklin Third Reader, 1,044 Modern First Readers, 803 Modern Second Readers, 182 Modern Third Readers, 1,450 White's Two Years with Numbers, 1,130 No. 1 Music Readers, 3,723 No. 1 Writing books, 2,005 No. 1 Drawing books, 11 Continental First Reader, 50 Normal Course First Readers, 50 Normal Course Second Readers, 198 Monroe First Readers, 77 Monroe Second Readers and 11 International Dictionaries. This is in keeping with the free text book system adopted. The board will need \$12,000 for books while the council has allowed but \$6,000.

The Alliance, O., board awarded the Review book store the exclusive sale of school books.

The Flint, Mich., board decided that no change be made by the principals without the action of the board and that all book sellers have two weeks notice of any change.

The Midway, Mich., school district No. 8 decided to make no changes this year.

Brooklyn. Communications received from the American Book Co.: Submitting for adoption Cooley's New Elementary Chemistry at 58 cents per copy. From William B. Harison: Proposing to furnish the following: Harison's vertical penmanship cards at 80 cents per doz. Jackson's theory and practice at \$1.00. Jolly's education in its



ESTELLE REEL, Co. Superintendent, Cheyenne. Wyo.



NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING, ATHOL, MASS.

physical relations at 20 cents. Who? When? What? at 40 cents. From J. A. Hill & Co.: Asking that the new relief maps manufactured by the Central School Supply House be placed upon the list at \$15 per map or \$84 per set. From A. Lovell & Co.: Proposing to furnish the Common Sense Copy Books at 68 cents per doz. Fairy Tales for Little People at 24 cents per copy. Referred to the Committe on School Books.

Brooklyn will investigate the subject of vertical writing.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., recommended that the American Encyclopædia be taken from the Grammar A schools and put in the lower grammar grades, and that a revised work be placed in its stead.

Carthage, N. Y. School Commissioner La Rue annouced that in "methods" all questions during 1895 will be based upon the following: White's School Management, Page's Theory and Practice, DeGraff's Schoolroom Guide.

The Los Angeles school board's proposal for books called for Webster's Academic Dictionary, Webster's Large Dictionary, First Reader, California State Series, Second Reader, California State Series; Third Reader, California State Series; Primary Number Lessons, California State Series; Arithmetic, Advanced, California State Series; Physiology, California State Series; Grammar. California State Series; Language Lessons, California State Series; History of the United States, California State Series; Elementary Geography. California State Series; Advanced Geography, California State series; Webster's Common School Dictionary; Normal Music Book No. 1; Normal Music Book No. 2; Normal Music Book No. 3; Bradfield's Drawing Books, No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; American Standard Writing Speller; American Blank Drawing Book; National Blank Drawing Book.

The Eau Claire, Wis., board authorized committee to examine Frye's Geography and adopt the same if deemed advisable.

The School Commissioners, of Fayetteville, N.Y., acting upon the advice of Anthony Comstock, have rejected from the village school library Mrs. Matilda Joslyn Gage's latest work, "Woman, Church and State."

A communication was read before the Dubuque, Ia, board from Mrs. M. A. Clarke, of Waverly, Ia., submitting a copy of her work, "The American System of Cutting, a work for Dressmakers and Schools," with a view to having the same adopted as a text book, first of the series in our public schools. Referred.

At Indianapolis, Ind., and Milwaukee, Wis., questions of change in music books has been post-poned for one year.

The elections in Manitoba decide in favor of text book uniformity.

It has long been felt that a need exists for the opportunity of securing certificates of proficiency for teachers of shorthand. For many years the writers of the Isaac Pitman system have been able to secure certificates from abroad; but until recently there have not been suitable facilities for the

granting of such certificates in the United States. Now, however, an arrangement has been made by which, upon the passing of a suitable examination, certificates can be procured in New York City by phonographers all over the United States. Mr. W. L. Mason, principal of the Metropolitan School of Isaac Pitman Shorthand, 95 Fifth Avenue, has been retained by Messrs. Isaac Pitman & Sons as the official examiner. All communications regarding these certificates should be addressed to the above firm at 33 Union Square, New York.

CALIFORNIA'S STATE SERIES.

At the recent meeting of the California State Board of Education held at Sacramento, W. H. V. Raymond, editor-in-chief, reported that the First and Second Readers had been reviewed by the editors and printed at the State Printing Office. The text of the Fourth Reader has been submitted for examination and criticism to prominent educators and had received high commendations as well as some valuable suggestions, which will tend to improve its efficiency. The text of the Third Reader, which had been unavoidably delayed by the unavoidable absence of one of the editors, has been completed and placed in the hands of the printer and a large part of it is now in type. Considerable work has also been done on the grammar. The cost of authorship, editorial work and illustrations on the First Reader was \$2,483.44; composition, electrotyping, engraving and preliminary printing, \$4,145.60; total \$6,649.04. This sum divided by 325,000, the estimated supply for eight years, gives as the amount to be added to the price of the book for this outlay is two cents.

Cost of printing and binding an edition of 50,000, \$7,937. Divided by 50,000, this gives \$.158 to be added to the cost, making the total cost at Sacramento \$.178. The cost of mailing added, makes cost of book at any Postoffice \$.218.

On the Second Reader the cost of authorship, editorial work and illustrations was \$2,519.15; of composition, electrotyping, engraving and prelimary printing was \$3,094.40, a total of \$5,613.65. This sum was divided by 210,000, the estimated supply for eight years as amount to be added to cost of book gives \$.026. Cost of printing and binding 50,000 books, \$11,833.35. Divided by 50,000 this makes the cost of each book as \$.236; total cost at Sacramento, \$.262; adding cost of mailing \$.06; gives cost at any Postoffice, \$.322. The supply for eight years is based on the sale of First and Second Readers for the past seven years.

The Oakland, Cal. board is threatened with a deficit of \$66,000.

A department for deaf children has been provided for by the Chicago beard of education.

THE ELY-WELLS CONTROVERSY.



PROF. RICHARD T. ELY.

Theinvestigation of the charges against Prof. Richard J. Ely, of the Wisconsin State University, to the effect that his teachings were of a socialistic character turned out rather bad for O. E. Wells, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. who made the accusation. It was

found that Supt. Wells was unable to make a good

case and the state board will report to that effect, although its decision has not as yet been mafle public.

This controversy has created wide spread interest as the question of freedom of discussion in Universities was deeply involved, and also because Prof. Ely en-



O. E. WELLS, State Superintendent, Wisconsin.

joys a high reputation as a writer upon economic problems.

A SCHOOL BOARD PICNIC.

The school commissioners of Milwaukee, with wives and friends, making a gathering of 100 persons, held their fourth annual outing at Whitefish Bay, August 21. Special street cars, headed by a merry brass band, conveyed the gay crowd to the grounds. Refreshments, games of all kinds, a tug of war were among the features. In the evening a banquet was indulged in. Addresses were made by President Pereles, Superintendent Peckham, Wm. Geo. Bruce, Wm. Meyst, Julius Bleyer, Prof. Abrams, and Principal McLenegan. Otto Schoenleber acted as toastmaster. The affair proved an enjoyable one and one that ought to be emulated by other boards throughout the United States.



THE MILWAUKEE SCHOOL BOARD PICNIC. - Aug. 21, 1894.

SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT.

The county school board at Chatanooga, Tenn., decided to purchase all charts hereafter, direct from the publishers. Salt Lake City, Utah, accepted bid of W. S. Pierce, at 34 cents per square yard, for slated, 5x manilla paper. Also bid of C. W. Midgley for repairing blackboards, 10 cents per square yard for one coat of liquid slating, and 18 cents per square yard for two coats of liquid slating.

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The Cleveland school council received a proposition from the Miller Chemical Engine Co., of Cleveland, to furnish the two-gallon Miller chemical fire extinguishers, at \$12.50 each.

The new school building at Cleveland, will be supplied with artificial slating by W. A. Olmsted, of Chicago, at \$471.10.

The Excelsior School Supply Company, was given the contract by the South Chester, Pa., board for furnishing the new room in the Clayton building.

The Dayton, O., board received bids on fire extinguishers. The Champion, 2½ gallons, at \$10 per gallon, \$4; the Champion, 3 gallons, at \$12.50 per gallon, \$4.16%; the Miller, 2 gallons, \$8.75 per gallon, \$4.271

gallon, \$4.16%; the Miller, 2 games gallon, \$4.37\%.

A communication was received from A. J. Butler & Co., manufacturers of the Columbus Fire Extinction in which they made a new bid, which is them July 31. They guisher, in which they made a new bid, which is lower than the one made by them July 31. They state they are willing to furnish 131 Columbus Extinguishers for \$1,300, furnish two charges with each extinguisher, and also furnish a guarantee that the extinguishers will always be in working

order.
Cohoes, N. J., purchased globes to the extent of \$240, from Central School Supply House, Chicago.
Woodhull, Ill. The school board purchased one of Mary E. Burt's charts for the primary room.
The board of education, of Lebanon township, O., has placed Webster's Unabridged Dictionaries in each of her schools.
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The Detroit school board contemplates the purchase of 10,000 adjustable book covers.

Detroit—Contracts awarded: Spencerian pens, No. 1, per gross, 50 cents; same, No. 33, 50 cents; slates, 7x11 inches, 7 cents; Appleton's reading chart \$8.45; crayon, pink enameled, per case, \$4.50; slate pencils, per gross, 62 cents; pads, per 100, \$2.90; Normal reading chart, \$8.50; Dixon's pencils, high school M., per gross, \$1.98; Eagle pencils, No. 2½, per gross, \$2.84; medium pencils, \$1.50; Dixon's pencils, M. No. 3, per gross, \$2.50.

The Chicago board of education awarded contract for 200 cases of chalk and crayon to W. A. Olmsted. Middletown, O. James F. Ells, representing a Minneapolis publishing company, was in attendance with a mathematical chart which he exhibited to the members present.

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The Crookston, Minn., school board, has allowed \$400 to Prof. Moore this year to purchase apparatus and books for the public schools.

The "Teacher's Anatomical Aid," published by the Central school supply house, of Chicago, was shown the Lewiston, Me., board by W. D. Chase, who made a most favorable impression on the members of the board.

A motion before the South Chester, Pa., board to adopt the Babcock fire extinguishers, was lost.

The Springfield, Ill., schools will dispense with telephones.

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The Los Angeles list of this year's school supplies calls for "lead pencils, Dixon's Inserted Rubbers, S. M. and M., blackboard erasers, Andrew's dust-

less."

The St. Joseph, Mo., school board entered into contract with E. D. Beeghly & Co., of Dayton, O., for stone slate blackboard.

W. N. Wright, representing W. A. Olmsted, Chicago, dealer in school supplies, asked the Salt Lake City board that a number of rooms be set apart in the Grant school building for a decisive trial of his new slate blackboard.

The Manistee, Mich., board will pay 25 cents per folio, for the publication of its official proceedings in the daily press.

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At Erie, Pa., the Eagle Pencil Co., of New York, secured the annual contract.

The Detroit school board pays for its water supply at the rate of two cents per 1,000 gallons.

The district school board of DryBone, Wis., invested in several sets of new maps and charts.

Quincy, Ill. W. C. Harris, agent for C. F. Rass-weiler & Co., Chicago, addressed board on Yaggy's Geographical portfolios and they were adopted.

The supply committee of the Omaha school board recently found that samples submitted by bidders were almost enough to start a decent department store, and make the purchase of supplies almost

The Chicago board of education will pay for its proceedings as follows: For composition, per page, \$2.23; for paper, press-work and folding, for each

4 page form, \$1.80; 8 page form, \$3.50; 12 page form, \$5.00; 16 page form, \$5.25.

The Henry Heil Chemical Co., of St. Louis, are announcing their new improved chemical Reagent Bottles, with acid proof labels and symbols blown in the stoppers. Also a new price list on genuine Swedish filtering paper.

The Central School Supply House of Chicago, is extending its track into the far northwest. G. C. Wilde, who represents that company, recently appeared before the Winnipeg, Manitoba school board, to exhibit their relief map of America. The superintendent was instructed to examine the map and report.

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The most satisfactory school ink is manufactured by the Western School Ink Co., of Winchester, Ind. Sample mailed free with special price on applica-

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At Battle Creek, Mich., the superintendent recommends the use of telephones. He says: Many a child and many a teacher would be saved miles of travel and hours of time, and many a trouble-some problem in discipline could be quickly solved if the larger buildings had telephones.

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Franklin, Pa. Contract for school supplies awarded to Bensinger & Smith.
Hubbard, O., township school board decided to put the mathematical block system in the subdistrict schools.
Beaver, Pa. Bids for school supplies: Townsend & Co., \$455.25; Greenwood Supply Co., Youngstown, O., \$405.81; W. G. Johnston & Co., Pittsburg, \$366.30.
The contract was awarded to Johnston & Co.
Franklin, Pa. Mr. Worden having failed to file his bond for furnishing the blackboards, his bid was withdrawn and the contract given to D. W. Elhaney, who was the next lowest bidder.
Newcastle, Pa., purchased Bangor hand-shaved slate blackboards of W. G. Johnston & Co., Pittsburgh.

Canton, S. D. Slating furnished by E. Shufelt. Council Bluffs, Ia. A gentleman representing the Miller Chemical Fire extinguisher gave the board an exhibition of his machine by lighting some pine boards saturated with oil. Action deferred

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At Scranton, Pa., the board is wrestling with the question whether the new high school building shall be fire proof or non-fire proof.

At Tiffin, O., the contract for slate black boarding was awarded to the Sidney School Furniture Co. Dayton, O., board received the following bids: Extinguishers, Halloway, 3 gallon copper polished, \$18; Halloway, 3 gallon nickel polished, \$20; Muskegon, 3 gallon, \$17.50; The Stempel, 3 gallon, \$12.50; Babcock, 2½ gallon, \$10; Champion, 2½ gallon, \$10. Fire Escapes: Standard Wire & Iron Co., Cleveland, \$998.30; Mast, Foos & Co., \$1,146; Springfield Architectural Iron Work, \$1,300; Rogers Iron Co., Springfield, O., \$1,209; McHose & Lyon Co., Dayton, O., \$1,260; The Ohio Fence Co., Dayton, O., \$1,800

SCHOOL FURNITURE NOTES

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Salt Lake City, Utah. Bid of B. A. McMillan representing U. S. School Furniture Co., amounting to \$5,000.35 was accepted.

Hiram Harris represented the Haney School Furniture Co. of Grand Rapids, Mich., at the Marion, O., bidding. Contract for seats and desks for new high school went to the Grand Rapids Furniture Co., and for two primary schools to the Cleveland School Furniture Co.

The Sheboygan, Wis., board awarded contract for school seats to the Manitowoc Seating Co.

The mayor of Detroit has vetoed the contract for school desks made by the school board.

The Norwood, O., board awarded contract for desks to the Sidney School Furniture Company.

School boards of the following places have placed orders for school desks with the United States School Furniture Company: Omaha, Neb., Pottsville, Pa., Waterville, Me., Towanda, N. Y., Henderson, Ky., Erie, Pa., Topeka, Kan., Ft. Wayne, Ind., Elkhart, Ind., La Crosse, Wis., Ypsilanti, Mich., Rock Island, Ill., Hornellsville, N. Y., Oneonta, N. Y., Moberly, Mo., Brooklyn, N. Y., Mt. Vernon, N. Y., Pontiac, Ill., Des Moines, Ia., Sioux Falls, S. D., Newark, N. J., Plano, Texas, Kankakee, Ill., Kalamazoe, Mich., Lansing, Mich., Xenia, Ohio, Travers City; Mich., Menominee, Mich.

The Fond du Lac board of education placed an order for 100 desks with the U. S. School Furniture Co.

Contract for Fifth Ward school, Oshkosh, Wis., ras awarded to the United States School Furniture

Co.

The Manitowoc Seating Co. secured contract for large order of desks at Joliet, Ill.

Omaha. Board will purchase 150 opera chairs for high school.



THE GATES SCHOOL DESK.

The wooden automatic seats and desks manufactured by the Gates Desk Co., of Greenville, S. C., are not generally known. They must be considered unique and we have been assured that they are also practical. The framework of the modern school desk of the day is usually made of iron while only the desk board and the seat proper are constructed in wood. constructed in wood.

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The Gates desk is all wood. Their appearance is somewhat heavy, but when compared with the wooden benches which obtained so largely in country schools in former days it must be considered rather pleasing in design. Whether the Gates Desk Co. are pushing the sale of this desk to any extent, we are not informed, yet it is said they are in use in quite a few places.

The Viroqua, Wis., board purchased a number of the "Minneapolis" desks from the United States School Furniture Co.

The Mt. Pulaski, Ill., board purchased its furniture from the United States School Furniture Co.

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I. L. Donaldson, of Texas, State agent for a new school desk which was patented May 1, 1894, proposes to organize a stock company with a capital stock of \$20,000 for the purpose of establishing a plant for the manufacture of these desks at Houston. He says his proposition has met with encouragement at the hands of prominent business men of the city and he is confident that the stock company will be organized. The desk, he says, can be sold at \$3.75 each, at a profit, which is cheaper than the Western and Eastern manufacturers of school furniture can afford to sell similar furniture. than the Western and Eastern manufacturers of school furniture can afford to sell similar furniture. These desks are made of cast steel and weigh only thirty-five pounds. The factory would employ from twenty-five to thirty men all the year round. The Houston Heights people, he says, will offer inducements for the factory to be located there. Mr. Donaldson is located at 501 Kiam building, Houston Texas.

ton, Texas. Dubuque, Ia., awarded the contract for desks to the Manitowoc Seating Co.

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Brooklyn.—Contract to repair school furniture awarded to Geo. S. Perry & Co.

Cleveland, O. Which set should be adopted? Oliver S. Garretson, of Buffalo, and the Favorite Desk and Seating Co., of this city, bid according to one set, while the Cleveland Furniture Co. bid according to another. The bids for the amount of furniture needed were as follows: The Favorite Desk and Seating Co., \$6,185; Oliver Garretson, \$5,871.25; and the Cleveland School Furniture Co., \$6,160. Notwithstanding the lower bid of the Buffalo concern, the offer of the Cleveland School Furniture Co. was accepted, the resolution therefor being presented by Mr. Buss. Bids for opera chairs for seating the assembly room of the South High School were as follows: Favorite Desk Co., \$575; Oliver S. Garretson, \$600 and \$850; Cleveland School Furniture Co., \$750 for one kind, \$925 for another, and \$1,000 for another. Mr. Backus introduced a resolution providing for the acceptance of the Cleveland School Furniture Co's. bid of \$750. Sandusky, O. Seats purchased of the Sidney School Desk Co., through F. A. Piper, agent.

Ponca City, O. T. Two hundred seats bought of Jasper Sipes, of Oklahoma City and Biron S. Hutchins.

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New Castle, Pa. W. A. Keein, representing the United States School Furniture Co., of Chicago, was present with samples of a school desk and occupied about thirty minutes explaining the merits of the desk. He was followed by Isaac Hedges, who represents the Cleveland School Furniture Co. No decision.

Co. No decision.

The following firms presented bids for the seating to the Joliet, Ill.. board: Manitowoc Seating Co., Cleveland School Furniture Co., Wabash School Furniture Co., United States School Furniture Co., Haney School Furniture Co., Durant School Desk Co. The contract was awarded to the Manitowoc Seating Co.

THE DURANT DESK COMPANY.

Mr. E. G. Durant, who was for many years the head of the Racine Hardware Co., has organized the Durant Desk Co. at Racine, for the purpose of manufacturing an improved adjustable school desk and seat.

Mr. Durant's long experience in the manufacture of school seats has enabled him to secure several patents on valuable improvements which he has now operated in his new desk. We present in another column the advertisement showing the de sign of the desk.

For more particular information, description, prices, etc., address the Durant Desk Co., Racine, Wisconsin.

THE QUESTION OF SCHOOL INKS.

There is no article in the list of ordinary school supplies which is so apt to cause more annoyance than that of ink for school purposes. Ink which will give thorough satisfaction, both as to quality and price, is rare. If the quality is unquestioned the price is usually high, and when the price is satisfactory, the chances are that the fluid consists of muddy vinegar and water.

Ink for school purposes must, as a rule, be purchased in large quantities and the price must therefore be reasonable. It is distributed in many little ink wells, and therefore evaporation, sediment, thickness, etc., follows more readily than in any or dinary business office. Few manufacturers of inks have understood how to overcome the difficulties which have made the ink question such an annoy ance to teachers and pupils. During the past few years progress has been made which enables some of the ink manufacturers to meet every requirement to the entire satisfaction of school authorities

First among these must be mentioned the Western school Ink Co., of Winchester, Ind., who now enjoy an extensive trade in all parts of the United States, W. W. Reed, secretary of the company, and after whom the now well known "Reed's School Ink" is named, in a recent interview said:

"The enormous success which has attended our business is due to the fact that we always make the best ink. A low price then makes it the cheapest. That is self evident. Thus the thousands of school officials who have dealt with us have renewed their orders, feeling confident that the goods will be first class and the price reasonable." We are informed that the company will send free samples of their inks with price, upon application. Letters should be addressed to the Western School Ink Co., Winchester, Ind.

NEW SCHOOL APPARATUS.

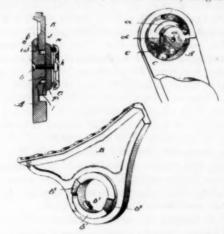
Sullivan's school apparatus, adopted by the county school board, at Santa Rosa, Cal., is a tellurian designed to show the earth's motion around the sun, the moon's motion around the earth and the causes of eclipses and tides; also the motion of the moon and earth in their orbits, are shown by a simple arrangement, which causes these mimic bodies to revolve. The wire frustum explains in a simple way the center of gravity and line of direction. The rainbow chart shows the reflection and refraction of rays of light passing through drops of water in the formation of a rainbow. It is self explanatory and like all Mr. Sullivan's apparatus conveys ideas better than any text-book. By a system of wheels, axles and pulleys, he exemplifies the laws of equilibrium as applied to mechanical power. In the outfit is included a contrivance for proving rules in mensuration by displacement. J. B. Davis, of Santa Rosa, has taken the invention in hand.

The Puritan Publishing Co. of Boston, has just issued two handsome engravings entitled the "Presidents of the United States" and the "Ladies of the White House." The work is superb and will prove an appropriate as well as tasteful ornament to any home, office or school room.

NEW INVENTIONS.

IN SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENTS, LAST MONTH.

HINGE- FOR SCHOOL-DESK SEATS. Mark L. Noble and Edward Buxton, Forest Grove, Oregon.



A hinge for the purpose set forth, consisting of the parts A and B, one of the parts as A having a hub constructed as shown and provided with oppositely located stops c c, and stops d, d, the other part as B being adapted to lie over the hub and having inwardly projecting stops which are adapted to engage with the stops d and stops which engage with the stops c, a plate F having semi-circular recesses, and a compressible washer located between the plate and the nut of the bolt which connects the parts together, the ends of the stops d d engaging with the recesses in the plate F substantially as shown, whereby the frictional contact of the parts is increased toward the limit of the movement of the parts in either direction.

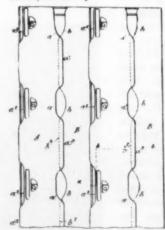
BLACKBOARD-ERASER. Ludentia Throop, Momence,



In an eraser, the body A having the solid back, the channels D, and the longitudinal dust chambers B of increased size as compared to the width of the channels, combined with

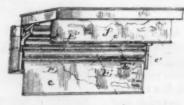
the spaced, pliable, rubbing strips secured at their inner edges to the body between the channels

SCHOOL DESK AND FORM. Adolph Marsch, Halberstadt, Germany



In a school desk and form fixed rigidly at given distances apart, the combination of desk A having recesses a in the inner edge thereof, intermediate projecting parts a3 between the recesses a2 and recesses a in the front face thereof with a form B having recesses b in the edges thereof opposite the recesses a and intermediate projecting parts b_2 .

MAP-CASE. William P. Husey, Chicago, Ill.

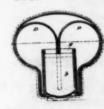


A map case consisting of two parts, both of such parts adapted to be, but alter-

cured to a wall, both of such parts containing maps mounted on spring rollers removably secured therein, and the parts so related that when closed one part serves as a cover to the other part and when open maps can be unrolled and exhibited

from both parts of the case, the spring rollers fitting in one part of the case, adapted to fit in the other part of the case, by reversing the ends thereof and means for holding the parts open.

BLACKBOARD-RULER. Bernard W. Ahne, Bayonne, N. J.



This invention consists in a lining device consisting of a flexible inclosing case having slots therein, pieces of chalk or the like located in said slots and a double spring in the casing acting on the chalk pieces to project them through the

slots when the inclosing casing is externally pressed.

SLATE CLEANER AND DRIER. Richard B. Berk, Dayton, Ohio.



In a slate cleaner and drier, the combination of the cylinder with ends open, and its sides provided with perforations, a flexible water reservoir having a spout, inclosed within and adapted to be compressed through the perforations in said cylinder, a detachable cup inclosed by the cylinder, and having an opening through which the spout of the reservoir projects, absorbent material secured

within said cup to receive moisture from the reservoir, and drying material attached to the other end of the cylinder.

A SCHOOL BOARD SENSATION.

The Manitowoc Seating Co. when written to by School Board Journal's representative made the

following statement:
"In the first place Mr. L. H. Acherson is a "In the first place Mr. L. H. Acherson is a commission man who is selling our goods in Southern Michigan. He is well known in Detroit, having been in this business eighteen or twenty years in that section. He went into this scheme entirely apon his own responsibility without consulting us. We hardly know whether we approve of what he did or not, but we are satisfied that he was actuated by the best motives. He made arrangements with the city officers, to which the honest members of the Board were privy, to set a trap for the dishonest members of the Board. He arranged the rooms himself, and placed the detectives and stenographer where they could observe the whole transaction. The facts will doubtless come out in the examination which is to occur the 24th.

While we rejoice that the dishonest are in a fair way of being punished, yet we cannot help regretting

way of being punished, yet we cannot help regretting the unavoidable notoriety that necessarily attaches the transaction. We trust that the truth, when it comes out, will tend to further the ends of jus and that we shall not be the sufferers thereby.

WHAT ACHERSON SAYS.

L. H. Acherson, the school desk agent who trapped the bribers is frank in his statements. He said:
"To the question whether the four members of the
Detroit school board who were arrested for receiv-Detroit school board who were arrested for receiving money for their votes are guilty or not guilty, I will say that they are guilty. The charges against them are well founded; I paid them \$25 each. Many knew in advance of the arrest that they were to be arrested. I set the trap, notified the officers of the law and they were on hand to hear and see what was said and done. What I did was done entirely unknown to the Manitowoc Seating Company. I was willing to spend \$100 in the interest of entirely unknown to the Manitowoc Seating Company. I was willing to spend \$100 in the interest of justice and to show to the honest people of Detroit the character of the men they had elected to serve on the Detroit school board. I will be on hand at the trial and swear to my part in the whole transaction. When all is shown up I feel sure I will be justified in what I have done.

THE DEFENDANTS.

The four members deny their guilt and promise some interesting developments, said to involve Mayor Pingree. In legal circles it is held that it will be difficult to convict the men as the trapping of men into crime has been condemned in the higher courts.

AT THE PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION.

On August 24, the prisoners were brought in court and bound over for trial. Milo Davis, however, was missing and his bail declared forfeited. His absence is not explained and it is assumed that he has deep mored. has decamped.



THE AFTERMATH OF A CONTEST.

Scene: Reception hall. A German city in the northwest. Arranged by the school board.

Dramatis Personae:—Clarence C. Burchard, H. H. Hilton, Vm Clendenin, of Ginn & Co.; Robert Foresman; Col. Chas. Wm Clendenin, of Ginn & Co.; Robert Foresman; Col. Chas. W. Johnson, Hugh A. Foresman, B. D. Berry, of Silver, Burdett & Co.; J. M. Eppstein, of P. C. Heath & Co.; C. A. Sibley, Leach, Shewell & Sanborn; C. E. Brown, Sheldon & Co.; F. M. Kendall, Allyn & Bacon; S. B. Todd, Maj. A. W. Clancy, and

thirty-six school board members.

Opening Overture: -Selections from the Whiting, Normal and Mason's Music systems.

Address by Superintendent of schools:—The battle is over. The contest was fierce. The book men did their work well.

Books were presented and well represented. We have learned to know the book-man and his wares. We love him still. Song-Antonius Clancey:-Mother, is the Battle Over?

The President:—"A member of the board of education is in duty bound to give a patient hearing to all those who bear a legitimate relation to a school system. A representative of a publishing house has a right to present his goods and the member is in duty bound to accord a reasonable hearing. The school official owes a duty to the public and the system over which he has been chosen a guardian. He must legislate and provide for that school system so as to promote its best interests. School books are a necessity. There are good school books and better school books. The best must, and should be selected. And how will you select it you do not listen to the school-book agent, who can tell you more in thirty minutes than you learn by reading school books for thirty years."

Col. Johnson:—"We represented our books and misrepresented the other fellow's books. Followed by a song: "There's One More River to Cross."

Address-Cassius Foresman: "The modern school-book man is a composite creature. He is either a commercial educator or an educated traveling man. He studies the educa-tional needs of his time and tries to meet such of these needs as his stock in trade will cover. This embraces the study of men, their thoughts and their tendencies, a cultivation of skill in dealing with men and affairs. He anticipates the influences which actuate men in their conclusions, analyzes the combination and distribution of forces, and the elements necessary for successful issue. The relations which exist between ok men appear antagonistic upon the surface. Not so our social intercourse. Duty to our employers commands the best in us -our energy, our tact, our skill. The demands of business array us against one another, but the true school book man holds a higher appreciation of his adversary, when his skill and courage has been asserted. We all admire a strong, courageous man, although we may become his victim. but we recognize his loyalty to his firm, and the motives which actuate him. They are exactly our own motives."

Brutus Clendinin: Recitation-"The Boston Tenderfoot in

Clarencius Burchard: Response-"Relation of Agent to Agent, Man Against Man, To the Victor Belongs the Crown."
Casar Eppstein: Song—"Rome Was Not Built in a Day.
We Will Meet again." Chorus. "In the Sweet Bye and Bye." "There is One More River to Cross." Applause in the galleries. (Curtain.)

AMONG PUBLISHERS AND AGENTS.

W. H. Wheeler, formerly with Ginn & Co. and the American Book Co., has accepted a position with Maynard, Merrill & Co.

Wm. S. Mack, the western manager of the Prang Educational Co., will take a vacation at an early date

Mr. B. Thrasher, of Silver, Burdett & Co., Boston, is on his way home from Europe.

Mr. Blake, of the Milton-Bradley Co., is off on a

The New York office of the American Book Co. will be removed into the new University Building as soon as it is completed.

B. P. Hulse, the veteran book man, continues as vigorous as a man of fifty.

The Scribner Brothers, book publishers, of New York, under the name of Charles Scribner's Sons, are grandsons of the well known New Jersey millionaire, John I. Blair. Their mother, Aurelia Blair, was one of the two daughters of the man who is to-day probably the richest man in New Jersey.

C. E. Miesse, J. S. Adams, D. J. Bennett and L. C. Judd, filed a petition in the court of common pleas, asking a dissolution of the corporation known as the C. E. Miesse Co., of Columbus, O. These parties are directors in the company and hold a majority of its stock. The company was incorporated April 13, 1893, with a capital stock of \$50,000, divided into 500 shares, of \$100 each. Its principal office was in Columbus. The business was the manufacturing and publishing of school books and school supplies. Plaintiffs say it would be beneficial to the stockholders to have the business wound Besides the plaintiffs, Richard Stutphen, J. G. Park, A. O. Chapman, and Mary T. Stutphen hold stock in the company. The unpaid subscriptions are: L. C. Judd, on 50 shares, \$3,500; J. G. Park, one share, \$70; Richard Stuphen, \$70; Mary Stuphen, 531/3 shares, \$3,733.331/2; A. O. Chapman, 25 shares, \$1,750, and C. E. Miesse, 369% shares, \$24,-876.66%. The company's assets amount to \$33, 028.20, and the liabilities to \$31,427.08.

T. P. Ballard, the western manager of Ginn & Co., at Chicago, recently returned from Europe. "While at London" said he to the School Board Jour-NAL's correspondent, "I saw the New York Tribune's account of Editor Bruce's address. I was very much interested in his argument and agree with him in the point he aims to reach. I have always favored giving the decisions of educational matters very largely to the superintendent. Business matters and the responsibilities of expenditures belong to the board. No machinery can fully solve these things. Some superintendents have not only educational but business ability. Some board members have more common sense in school matters than the superintendent. Generally due weight is given to each man according to his force of character and the weight of his judgment.

Caspar's Educational and Linguistic Catalogue for 1894-95 is ready, and will be sent free upon application. Address N. Caspar, Milwaukee, Wis.

WESTERN HOME OF EDUCATIONAL PUB-LISHERS.

The names which appear on the signs of this large business block are familiar ones in the educa-

tional world. The loca tion, 262 Wabash Avenue, is one of the busiest and most central in Chicago. The building is new and while it is plain in design, it is a most convenient and substantial business block.

Sheldon & Co., the well known publishers, occupy one whole floor. Neat stacks of school and college books line the long floor from the offices, which are in the front to the rear where the packing rooms are located. One corner partitioned off from the main office forms the sanctum of Alexander Forbes, the western manager of the firm. He is recognized as being one of the most unpretentious and at the same time one of the shrewdest book men in the west. He is original in method and manner, has a splendid record as an educator, is a forcible writer and lecturer, and commands the highest respect wherever he is known. The tallest book man in America, J. N. Hunt, is with this house.

A. Flanagan, who publishes and sells mainly pedagogical works, teachers' aids, etc., is also in this building. By untiring energy and good judgment, Mr. Flanagan has worked up a good trade in this line. His stock of books is large and complete, and from the number of teachers who are seen coming and going to the establishment, it is safe to say his business is good.

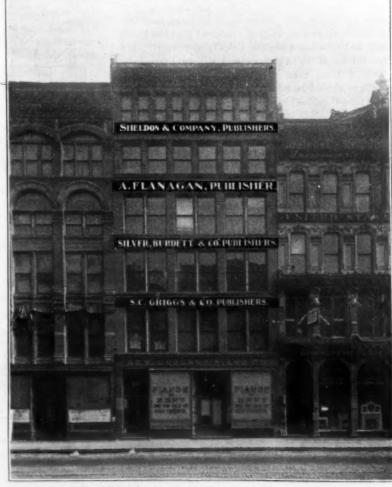
One floor is occupied by the western branch of Silver, Burdett & Co., the management of which is in the hands of Robert Foresman, that prince of young book men in the west. Foresman looks like an actor, and is often styled by his friends as "Hamlet, the Melancholy Dane." He is cast ordinarily in a serious mood, but can on state occasions mellow into the warmest good fellowship and humor. He is an earnest, indefatigable worker and a successful one. Hugh Foresman, his brother, travels in Michigan for the firm. Hugh is bright and active, and is a winner on adoptions. Coates Foresman is the financial man, and has displayed splendid judgment and great industry in his department.

A good portion of the building is occupied by S. C. Griggs & Co., who have won a splendid reputation in high school and college books. The affairs of this firm are under the immediate direction of Mr. S. C. Griggs, whose exceptional judgment in the matter of educational publications and good business tact has given the Griggs publications an excellent reputation in the educational world.

A BOOK AGENT'S FIGHT.

A lively set-to has taken place in Adams Co., Ill., where two book agents, B. G. Hull of the American Book Co., and W. T. Fry of the Werner Co., entered into a newspaper combat. Hull draws a comparison as to the literary merits, gradation, size and mechanical execution of the Harper readers as against the Raub Normal readers. Fry disputes the statements. Each has had a column of newspaper space.

A resolution to introduce military training in the high schools was referred in the Chicago board of education meeting.



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HUMOR IN THE SCHOOL ROOM.



His Mode of Finding It.

Janitor's son:—"Father, I can't find Corea on the map—the place where the Japs want to lick the Chinese."

Janitor:—"Simple enough. We take sticks and scour this map until we find it. You take one corner and I take the other. That's the sure way to hit it."

If He Can.

Teacher:—What is the meaning of the word excavate?

Scholar:-To hollow out.

Teacher:—Give me a sentence in which the word is properly used.

Scholar:—The small boy excavates when his papa licks him.

Knew From Experience

Professor (to class in political economy):—"What is the hardest tax to raise?"

Student (whose mother is house-cleaning):—"Carpet tacks."

A Conscientious Professor,

Judge:—"Have you hypnotized the prisoner." Professor:—"I have."

"Well, what are you waiting for?"

"I am waiting for you to decide whether I shall make him confess that he did it or make him confess that he didn't."

Papa:—"Johnnie, I heard that you were a bad boy at school today. Did you break some rule and the teacher have to whip you?" Johnnie:—"No papa, I didn't break any rule, but the teacher she hit me so hard that she broke hers."

Mother:—"Why, Aennchen, whatever are you doing with papa's big dictionary?"

Aennchen (five years old): "I am only looking for my dolly's lost slipper; papa said you could find everything in the dictionary!"

Examining Medical Professor: — "Now, sir, tell me how you would treat a case of typhoid fever."

Student:—"Well, sir, I should first—I should first—I—"

E. M. P. (impatiently):—"Yes, yes, go on."
Student (seized with a brilliant idea):—"I
should first call you in for consultation!"
Passes with honors.

"Jimmie, where did you get that nickel from?"

"It's the money you gave me for the heathen, mamma."

"Then why did you keep it?"

"My teacher said I was a heathen."

Little Willie:—"Oh, dear! I'm awfully tired of this geography lesson."

Papa:—"Rather a dry subject no doubt."
"Oh, no. It's about rivers!"

FOREIGN HUMOR.

Environs de Paris.—La patronne d'un cabaret à deux duellistes en train de se battre:—

"Dépêchez - vous, messieurs! les perdreaux ser ont trop cuits!"—Le Nouvelliste de Flers.

Lehrerin:-"Rannft Du mir noch einen Beweis nennen, baf bie Erbe rund ift?"

Migi:-"Die Runbreifebilleis!"

Les Sémites.—Madame Salomon: "Grand Dieu! Isaac, Isaac, n'entends tu pas? Quellqu'un ronfle sous le lit. Ce doit être un voleur."

M. Salomon: "Chut! Rebecca; pas de bruit, laisse le dormir; nous lui ferons payer sa chambre demain matin."—La Chronique.

Der fleine hugo:-"Beute haben wir in ber Schule ausgerechnet, wie lange ein Schnellzug braucht, um von ber Erbe bis zur Sonne zu fahren . . . über taufenb 3abre!"

Bater (Oberconducteur.):-"Da fommt's nur barauf an: von welcher Station aus!"

L'attrait Principal.—La femme d'un peintre recontrant une de ses amies: "Vous êtes allée au Salon?"

"Dès le premier jour."

"Et qu'est-ce que vous avez vu?"

"On porte beaucoup de foulard cachemire, beaucoup de bleu gendarme; en somme beaucoup de toilettes bariolées."

"Mais les tableaux?"

"Oh! j'irai les voir une autre fois!"-Le Figaro.

Die Mama ergahlt bem fleinen Fritz von ber Sternen= welt und unter Anderem, daß ber Caturn breimal fo groß als die Erbe.

"Du," sagt Fritzchen nach einigem Nachsinnen, "bann muffen ja bort bie Maitafer auch breimal so groß sein wie bei uns!"

Apropos de Santander.—Un monsieur entre, huitième, dans un wagon de seconde, et place, avec des soins infinis, une petite valise sous la banquette.

"La" dit-il, "violà qui est fait, et j'espère qu'il n'y aura pas d'accident."

"Que contient donc votre valise?" demande un voyageur indiscret.

"Quelques kilogrammes de dynamite."

Aussitôt, le wagon se vide comme par enchantement, et le monsieur, ouvrant sa valise, en retire son déjeuner.— La Revue Comique.

Lehrer ber höheren Tochtericule:-"Glie, nachtens werbe ich wirflich 'mal mit Ihrer Mama fprechen!"

Else:-"Aber, herr Doctor, ich bin ja noch nicht eine mul sechszehn Jahre!"



A Wasted Lesson.

Teacher (who has been lecturing on the ballot):—"Now, will some little boy tell me when the rich man and poor man meet on the same level? When is there absolutely no distinction of rank between them?"

Tommy:-"When they go in swimming."



An Apprehensive Applica at.

Superintendent:—"You have given me all the necessary information regarding your experience as a teacher, but I have just one more question to ask—perhaps a delicate one, but—"

Teacher:—"Oh, not all—my age is just twenty-

Teacher:—"Now if you take three from ten, how many remain?"

No answer.

Teacher:—"Well, suppose I take away three of your fingers, what would you have then?"

Dolly (gleaming):-"Oh, no more music lessons."

Schoolmaster:—"Now, my boy, if you sold 3,000 cabbages at five cents apiece, how much would that be?"

Boy (puzzled):—"Don't know, sir."

Schoolmaster:—"But, suppose, now, you kept a store and sold those cabbages at five cents each, what would they come to?"

Boy (thinking he sees a way out of the difficulty):—"Shouldn't sell them at five cents; should sell them at a ten cents."

Schoolmaster:-"But that would not pay you."

Boy (triumphantly):—"Then I'd sell them at twelve cents."

Schoolmaster:—"But they would not fetch twelve cents."

Boy (now rendered desperate):—"Then I'd eat 'em myself."

Aunty:—"How very industrious you are, I love to see little boys studying at home."
Little Johnny:—"Yes'm, I always learn all my lessons at home."

"That's exactly what all children should do."

"Yes'm. It gives us more time to have fun at school."

Bobby:-"Pop, what is reason?"

Fond Parent:—"Reason, my boy, is that which enables a man to determine what is right."

Bobby: - "And what is instinct?"

Fond Parent:—"Instinct is that which tells a women that she is right whether she is or not."

Little Johnny:—"What does 'sustain' mean, pa?"

Pa:-"To sustain is to help."

Little Johnny:—"But the paper says a man sustained an accident. Isn't an accident something you can't help?"

Pa:—"I think I hear your mother calling you. Run along; I'm very busy now."

BOOK REVIEWS.

[Note:-We desire to apologize to our numerous readers for the meagerness of this month's book review column. Our "book review man" went fishing and promised to read up between bites. Up to date, the time we go to press, the venerable professor has not turned in his manuscript nor reported on the bites. We promise a large batch of reviews for next month,-W. G. B.

FANCIFUL TALES. By Frank R. Stockton, edited with notes for use in schools by Julia Elizabeth Longworthy. introduction by Mary E. Burt. Published by Charles Scribner's

A teacher in the public schools of Chicago conceived the idea of arranging Frank R. Stockton's best children's stories for school room use. The idea proves a good one. Fanciful tales, with their wholesome humor, their purity and intense interest, are delightful reading for children. They are uncommon, told in a common, yet terse style, holding the child's mind with intense interest through beautiful scenery and among unique characters. The lesson is always obvious.

THE CHILDREN'S SECOND READER. By Ellen M. Cyr, author of The Children's Primer, The Children's First Reader, The Inte state Primer, etc. Ginn & Co., publishers, Boston.

This book, like the earlier ones in the series, is written on the general plan of slow but steady pro-Stories from the lives of Longfellow and Whittier form a considerable part of its contents. These bear especially upon the relation of the two poets to child-life, and are intended to awaken a personal interest in them and their poems, several of which are introduced in the book. The illustrations are carefully prepared and are closely allied to the subject, and there are many stories of nature and childhood in addition to those bearing especially upon the poets.

CITIZENSHIP: A BOOK FOR CLASSES IN GOVERNMENT AND LAW. By Julius H. Seelye, D. D., L. L. D., late pres-ident of Amherst College. Ginn & Co., publishers.

This little book lays down, in the first place, the general foundation of all government, and then sets forth the general principles of both international and national law, under national law especially confining itself to the public and private law of the United States of America. The discussion is throughout very compact, but at the same time clear and comprehensive. One who studies it is both informed as to his rights and duties as a citizen, and instructed in their very groundwork, being made to see that government is not simply a contrivance of human thought but a profound necessity of human life, and as such, a boon and not a burden. The author has not deemed the profoundest considerations out of place in an elementary text-book. The light of universal principles shines through the book so cleerly that it is not beyond a child's apprehension, and yet with results so widereaching as to interest students much more mature. In the hands of a competent teacher, it will be found equally suggestive and valuable for a class in the common school or in college.

The third volume of Méneval's Memoirs of Napoleon, which is to be published immediately by D Appleton & Co., treats of the ill-fated Russian expedition, the collapse in the peninsula, the invasion of France by the allied powers, the abdication and banishment to Elba, of Marie Louise and her unfortunate child, of the congress of Vienna, the return from Elba, Waterloo, and the exile in St. Helena. The interest of this intimate narrative by one who was in daily association with Napoleon as his private secretary, steadily increases, and this concluding volume with its wealth of dramatic pictures will be found most absorbing from beginning to end.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

What Time Is It? By H. T. Clauder. Published by William Beverly Harison, New York. Price 30 cents.

The Evolution of An Empire. By Mary Parmele. Published by William Reverly Harison, New York. Price 75 cents.

A Tale of Two Cities. By Dickens. Published by Ginn & Co. Teachers' Manual. (For teachers using arithmetic by grades.) By John T. Prince, Ph. D. Published by Ginn & Co., Boston.



MISS MARIE B. LENNOX

Arithmetic by Grades. Numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8. By John T. Prince. Published by Ginn & Co., Boston. Price of each, 25 cents

Fanciful Tales. By Frank R. Stockton. Published by Charles Scribner's Sons, New York.

Elements of Algebra, By William J. Milne, Published by American Book Co., New York, Cincinnati, Chicago.
La Belle Au Bois Dormant Le Chat Botte. Edited by B.

Miussen. Published by Maynard, Merrill & Co., New York. Ulysses Und Der Kyklop, von K. F. Becker. Edited by W. S. Lyon, published by Maynard, Merrill & Co., New York

The Special Kinesiology of Educational Gymnastics. By the Baron Nils Posso, M.G. Published by Lee & Shepard, Boston. For Sale by Des Forges & Co., 98 Wisconsin St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Price \$3.00.

"The Gate to the Anabasis," by Clarence W. Gleason, A. M. Published by Ginn & Co., Boston. Price 45 cents.
"A History of the United States," by Allen C. Thomas, A.

M. Published by D. C. Heath & Co., Boston, Mass. Price

"Wanted," by Mrs. G. R. Alden. Published by Lothrop Publishing Co., Boston, Mass. Price \$1 50. "She'don's Primary Language Lessons," published by Shel-

don & Co., New York-Chicago,

MAGAZINES RECEIVED.

"Lippincot's Monthly Magazine" for August; terms \$3 per

"The Forum" for August; terms \$3 per year. Edit
Walter H. Page. The Forum Publishing Co., New York.
"The Arena" for August; terms \$5 per annum. Edit
B. O. Flower. The Arena Publishing Co., Boston, Mass.

The New Science Review for July; terms \$2.00 per annum. The Translating Publishing Co., New York, London-Philadelphia.

A TEACHER IN MEXICO.

Miss Lennox's experience in a rough, pioneer district of the wild southwest, is an example of what a girl with pluck and spirit can do. Her health being poor, Marie B. Lennox was advised by her physician to leave Chicago and spend a year in the mountains of New Mexico, feeling sure that the pure air and dry climate of that land of sunshine would build up what the rigors of the northern winters had broken down.

That was early in June, a year ago. It being a territory and one in which the native Mexican element largely predominates, educational matters are just emerging from a highly chaotic state. No one knew anything about New Mexico, equally nothing about her schools. Finally through the School BOARD JOURNAL, Miss Lennox secured the name and address of the Territorial superintendent, Amado Chavez. He replied courteously, but discouragingly. The only vacancies were off in the country, which was rough and wild, far from the railroads and far from what little civilization there was. The terms would be short, the schoolhouses, such as they were, of the native adobe, unfurnished, except for rough benches, little or no blackboards, no books of reference, no maps, no aid, nothing but a limited number of school books of a kind long obsolete in eastern schools; the number of pupils in each school was not large and salaries in proportion. The teacher would have to be her own janitress and would have to rough it more than an eastern girl would care for.

August 1st, found her in Santa Fe, but it was not till November 1st, that she secured her first school, a small one in a most picturesque but wild and remote part of the territory. A railroad trip of eighty-five miles first came, then fifty-four miles in a rough, two-wheeled mail-cart, drawn by a Navajo pony, driven by an old Mexican mail carrier, armed to the teeth. He could speak no English, his passenger no Spanish. The long day's journey was made through a part of the country known as "Bloody Valencia." White men were few and very far between, that region being almost entirely given over to the Mexicans.

Her destination was found to be a most miserably

poor Mexican hamlet, poorer, dirtier and more forsaken than an Indian pueblo. It was a white man who had sent for her to take the school, which turned out to be composed of eight of his own Mexican-American children. Their mother was a Mexican and the children spoke Spanish as their native tongue. The school room was in his own adobe house, with no blackboard or any other neces-

sary school equipment.
For eight weeks Miss Lennox pluckily struggled on and then had to give up. The poor food, consisting of fiyoles (beans) black coffee, chili, and dough, fried in old mutton fat, had done its work, and she came down with a low fever which was aggravated by the impure water. Alarmed less she should die there on their hands, this unique school board, consisting of the old couple, bundled her to a bed of straw and blankets placed in the bottom of a covered emigrant wagon, and took her back to Santa Fe. She was not paid for her weeks of teaching and months afterward, when she wrote for payment, the debt was utterly repudiated.

Better days, however, were coming. Soon after her return to Santa Fe, Co. Supt. R. H. Theimann, one of the most progressive of New Mexico's educators, had a school for her forty miles from the nearest railroad, near the head waters of the Gila. The settlement consisted of American ranch people. The salary was small, but so was the school, ten boys and two girls in all. She accepted, and, though still weak, went down at once and opened the school. The school house was light and clean, with new seats and desks and a blackboard which proved a very modern affair, indeed. The school term was for three months, but the trustees made it four and one-half months, all they had money for, kindly saying they had a good teacher and wanted to keep the school going as long as possible. So for nearly five months Miss Lennox taught there, making her daily trips between the ranch where she lived and the school house, on horseback. The people welcomed her coming among them and some treasured friendships were made. After the school closed Miss Lennox returned to Chicago, bringing with her renewed health and strength and a new experience. Also a more than pleasant remembrance of friendships made and the satisfying consciousness that an eastern girl, blessed in her Americanism, can go out into the wildest and roughest of the western states, and be as safe as she would in her own eastern home.



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Who in the East has not met H. T. Dawson, happy, ubiquitous Dawson. He knows everybody, and everybody knows him. He is a typical school book man of the day, warm hearted, ambitious, well liked and successful.

We recently had the pleasure to run up against Mr. Dawson at Asbury Park. An introduction followed, and we had before us a medium-sized, well knit, handsome man, a vivacious conversationalist, well informed and genial. Mr. Dawson is the general agent for the University Publishing Co., of New York City, who have a good list of books and are making steady progress in the educational field.

HEATING AND VENTILATION.

The Johnson System of Heat Regulation was contracted for the following named schools; State Normal School, Milwaukee; New High School, Oconto; Ashland Ave. High School, Denver; Wadleigh School, Winchester, Mass.; Eustis St. School, Boston, New High School, Fitchburg, Mass.; New High School, Brookline, Mass.

The St. Louis school board has recently had under consideration the Sturtevant and the Buffalo hot blast system. L. H. Pigott, the Chicago agent of the Buffalo Forge Company, said the latter system had given complete satisfaction in Buffalo, Milwaukee, Oshkosh, in the Chicago Auditorium, the finest building in the West; in Salt Lake City.

The St. Paul school board has ordered the old Ruttan system to be taken out.

The Chicago Board of Education awarded several contracts last month to the Chicago Electric Service Co. for the Johnson System of heat regulation.

The Huyett & Smith Mfg. Co., of Detroit, was awarded the contract to ventilate the new Motly school building at Chicago. This company is making considerable headway in gaining the support of school boards. Their system embodies some decided merits which defy competition.



E. W. LORD. Supervisor of Schools, Ellsworth, Me.

Mr. McCreary, agent of the Iowa Warming and Ventilating company, Des Moines, addressed the Cedar Rapids, Ia., board on the matter of heating and ventilating the Jefferson school building according to the Mead's system, and offered his proposal.

The Aurora, Ill., board adopted the Sturtevant system.

The Holland, Mich., school board employed Huyett & Smith, of Detroit, the heating and ventilating experts to examine its school houses and suggest repairs.

The Board of Education at DeKalb, Ill., after careful investigation of various systems adopted the Fuller & Warren.

The Short-Conrad Co., manufacturers of the Telethermometer have opened an associate office at 41 Federal St., Boston.

The school board at Marinette, Wis., ordered the removal of the Smead system of dry closets out of three school buildings.

The new school house at DeKalb, Ill., will be equipped with the Fuller & Warren system.

The Holbrook & Kane company submitted a proposition to the Omaha school board to ventilate the Dodge school for \$1,700, giving each pupil 2,000 cubic feet of fresh air every hour.

W. D. Dickson, of the School House Construction Co., of Peoria., Ill., has been requested to draw plans for heating the La Grange, Ill., high school building.

The School Boards in the following cities have recently contracted for the Short-Conrad Company's Telethermometer: Canton, Akron, (2 bldgs.) Massillion, Coshocton, Ashtabula, Canal Dover, Norwalk, Kent, Bluffton, Collinwood, and Berea, (All Ohio). Pittsburg, Harrisburgh, Homestead, and Nanticoke, (Penn). Rockford, (3 bldgs.) Bloomington, East Dubuque, (Ia.) Monroe, (3 bldgs.) Baraboo, Eau Claire, (Wis.) Dubuque, Ia. Boston, Dedham, N. Andover, Newton Highlands and Medford, (Mass.)

The Smead Warming & Ventilating Co., of Chicago, have been very successful in closing contracts with school boards for the Smead System of heating and ventilation of school buildings. The folowing are among their late contracts: Virginia, Minn., eight-room school building; Ely, Minn., eightroom school building; Monroe, Wis., High school building; Stoughton, Wis., High school building; Waukesha, Wis., Fifth Distsict school building. This refers only to the Chicago Smead office, who own and control the Smead patents for Ill., Wis., Minn., N. Dak., S. Dak., and Northern Mich. Fred M. Bailey, who has been in the school house heating and ventilating business for the past twenty years, is the president and manager of this Company; Col. A. J. Rodgers, a thoroughly practical heating and ventilating engineer, as well as a practical builder, is the general superintendent of the Chicago Company.

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The magnesia sectional and plastic covering for steam pipes, boilers and furnaces, manufactured by Fred Sprinkmann, at 131-133 Sycamore St., Milwaukee, have received the highest endorsement from architects and builders throughout the country. Mr. Sprinkmann has been established in Milwaukee eight years and is thoroughly familiar with the business. The firm make a specialty of school houses, churches and large buildings generally as,



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well as residences. The furnaces and steam pipes at the 13th and 15th ward schools at Milwaukee, were covered by Mr. Sprinkmann, and his work has proven more than satisfactory.

THE EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE.

This agency, under the management of our old friend, Hon. Thomas W. Bicknell, is rapidly becoming known as one of the most reputable bureaus in New England. The School Board Journal wishes the Exchange a large measure of success.

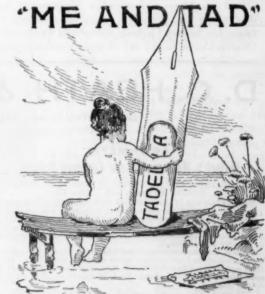
SCHOOL FURNITURE.

Cleveland, O. Bids were received from the Cleveland School Furniture Company, Oliver S. Garretson, the Favorite Desk and Seating Company and the Dayton Furniture Company for supplying the school furniture needed during the year. About 2,000 desks of various kinds will be needed.

The Omaha school board placed an order for 200 new desks with the United States School Furniture Co.

Minneapolis Minn. Committee recommended award of contract to Minneapolis School Furniture Co., their bid being the lowest The contract will be for the furnishing of about 1,500 seats, and will foot up about \$3,500.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION ITEMS.

At St. Joseph, Mo., the successful candidates for the school board are obliged to file statements within thirty days, showing the amounts of money expended for election purposes. One member reports \$2 while another reports \$22. As some members failed to file statements within the specified time, the question as to their eligibility has been brought up.

The Salt Lake City board has decided to enforce the penalty of \$15 a day on delinquent contractors on school buildings.

The Dubuque school board has been in a deadlock for several months past, over the appointment of a school superintendent.

When a member of the Quincy, Ill., school board asked a spinster applicant for a place, why she didn't get married the woman replied that she preferred a \$40 job to a \$20 man any day.

The Lincoln, Neb., board provides its members with car fares in visiting schools, etc.

The Windsor, Canada, school board has been petitioned by 168 residents to introduce the study of French but refused to comply.

The Lincoln, Neb., board was censured by the Labor Union for "discharging janitors on political grounds.

The Cincinnati school board will hereafter allow no advertising matter in school house

The Port Huron, Mich., board is in a white heat because the census shows a decrease of 1,000 chil dren. It will make a loss of \$1,500 in state money.

The Syracuse school board has been requested by the Trades Assembly to select mechanics of the various labor organizations as inspectors of the construction of new schools.

The county auditor at Cincinnati, reports that about twenty of the clerks of the board of education in the county, have neglected to send in their annual report for this year. It is within the power of the auditor to fine derelict clerks from \$50 to \$300 for not complying with this provision of the

Harlan Page Halsey, better known as "Old Sleuth," the writer of hair-raising detective stories, is an active member of the Brooklyn board of education. His income from his novels is about \$20,-000 a year. It is not probable that he would recommend any of his novels as part of the public school curriculum.

President Baker, of the Erie, Pa., board of education scored absentee members. The law provides that absence for two consecutive meetings without good cause vacates a seat to be filled by the board.

Ten members of the minority of the London school board have addressed the "christians of London" to say that there is a dangerous coalition between the Roman Catholic clergy and the English Church Union to get rid of undenominational religious teaching, and that the Bible is likely to be driven from the public schools. Ten members of the majority, which consists of thirty members, replied that there is only one Roman Catholic member of the board; that of the majority, only five are members of the English Church Union, and that the charge is outrageous nonsense.

Columbus, Ind., school board has ordered all children to be vaccinated.

The Milwaukee school board is considering a resolution by Chas H. Trent, providing that "the executive commissioner of any ward shall have the right to drop any married woman teaching in the school or schools of his ward at the end of the school year, if he deems it for the best interest of his school or schools to do so.'

The Molders' Union, of Detroit, recently investigated charges of bribery against the school board of that city and found them groundless

A resolution to dismiss John Ulrich, a principal who accepted the nomination for state superintendent of Public Instruction on the Populist ticket, has been introduced in the Milwaukee school board. It will probably be defeated.

The deadlock at Knoxville, Pa., over the principalship, resulted in a set-to of fisticuffs between Dr. R. J. Phillip, president of the board, and Principal B. F. Meredith.

Reed's Rules of Order were adopted by the Lincoln, Neb., board.

Covington, Ky., is wrangling over the study of German.

The Port Huron, Mich., board has ordered the school census to be taken again, owing to shortages in names in the last.

VACCINATION AND SCHOOL BOARDS.

At Sedalia, Mo., a fight is on between the Sedalia board of health and the Sedalia board of education. Recently the board of health revived an old ordinance requiring all children of school age in the city to be vaccinated before the opening of the fall term of school. The city physicians offered free vaccination to the poor if they would make oath that they were unable to pay. Other citizens were threatened with arrest and fine if they did not comply with the ordinance. As a result of these methods the board of education sent a letter to Mayor Haskins and the board of health asking them to have the obnoxious ordinance repealed.

At Windsor, Canada, the school board refuses to comply with the health board's order on vaccina-

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS.

A. E. Hazen, Fairport, N. Y.: C. McCall Black. Canton, Ill.; D. O. Denison, Greenbush, N. Y.; F. B. Mitchell, Norwich, N. Y.



PROF. S. R. WINCHELL. Principal Winchell Academy

The Winchell Academy, a Home school for girls and a Day school for both sexes, has been opened at Evanston, Ill. Mr. Winchell's career as a school master, has been a long and successful one. A brief sketch of his labors is as follows: Prepared for college at Amenia Seminary, New York, and entered the University of Michigan in 1863; 1864-65, Principal Birmingham Academy, Birmingham, Michigan; 1865-66, Principal Union School, Paw Paw, Mich.; 1868-69, Principal High School, Flint, Mich.; 1869-73, Principal High School, Ann Arbor, Mich.; 1873-75, Principal High School, Milwaukee, Wis. From 1875 till 1889, was engaged in various capacities as editor and publisher. In 1870 was assistant on geological survey of Michigan, with his brothers, Alexander Winchell and Newton H. Winchell; 1889-91, Professor of Latin, University of Illinois. Received degree A. B., University of Michigan, 1870; A. M., University of Michigan, 1873. Author of "Manual of Latin Prose Composition," "Manual of Greek Prose Composition," and various school speakers and song books.

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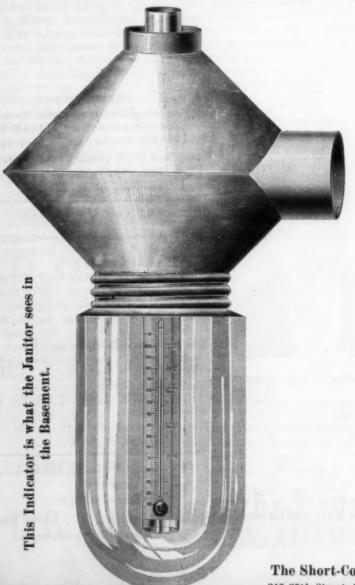
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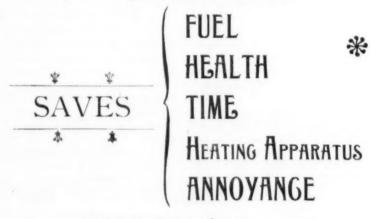
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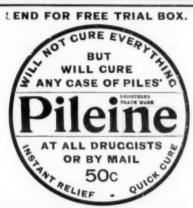
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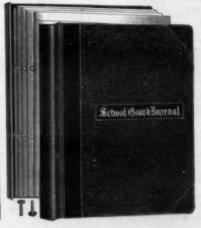
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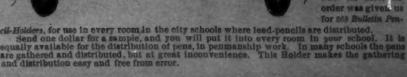
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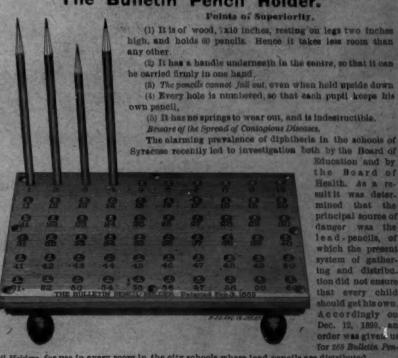
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